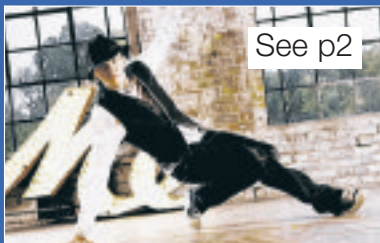


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Southend Hospital defies YA campaign to press ahead with flower ban



'A BIG MISTAKE'

PROTEST: YA Reporter Matthew Stanton delivers the 'Save Our Flowers' campaign support to the hospital.

By Matthew Stanton

SOUTHEND Hospital bosses have refused to listen to hundreds of Yellow Advertiser readers who called for a halt to a flower ban introduced on Monday.

John Gilham, chief executive of Southend Hospital Foundation Trust, pushed ahead with the controversial plan, which is claimed will prevent damage to hi-tech equipment from spillages.

More than 400 coupons, letters and e-mails in support of the YA's 'Save

Our Flowers' campaign were handed to his director of nursing, Sarah Dawson, on Friday.

He maintains the hospital's consultation showed more people agreed with the flower veto.

He said: "We are not surprised that some people do not agree with the decision and I do support the views of the YA readers.

"However, I have a number of competing priorities to consider.

"The Trust's aim, in introducing this change, is to provide a reliable, effective and safe environment for

patients and staff. As such, I believe this decision is the right one."

Patients, readers, south east Essex MPs and national charity the Women's Royal Voluntary Service had supported the YA campaign, insisting the decision was an 'over-reaction'.

MP James Duddridge said: "I am extremely disappointed with the decision, which is completely out of touch with the community.

"It is not an issue you would expect hundreds upon hundreds of people to write in about, but my surveying

and the YA's campaign shows people are against the ban.

"I think Southend Hospital has made a big mistake."

Southend Hospital had planned on removing flowers from wards in June 2008 but made a U-turn on the decision following pressure from the Yellow Advertiser.

Bosses then announced they would re-introduce the order following a consultation period. The hospital claims 75 per cent of people it surveyed wanted flowers removed from the wards.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

Mencap concert

SOUTHEND Mencap music school is presenting a concert on Saturday, July 4, at the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend.

The concert will feature pupils from Eastwood School, St Christopher School, Cedar Hall School, Lancaster School along with the Salvation Army, the Mushroom Theatre and instrumentalist James Maggs. All seats are £5 - to book, call 01702 351135.

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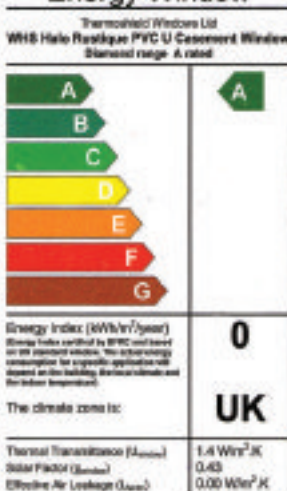
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Leigh Art Trail special

Shop's works of art are good enough to eat

By Karen Davis

LEIGH Art Trail is known for its diverse range of art forms, but this year, cakes were part of the equation.

Fancy Nancy, in Rectory Grove, Leigh, is in the business of creating beautiful works of art you can eat.

As part of the Art Trail, the shop displayed an entirely

edible canvas of hand-painted magnolias on a blue background.

The shop is run by sisters Nancy Maddocks and Juliette Sear, who, after starting cake making as a hobby 12 years ago, decided that there was nobody in the Leigh area making high quality confectionary for special occasions.

The shop has been open for

around six months and the talented pair have since hand-made cakes for the likes of Sir Ian McKellan and Matt and Emma Griffiths' wedding.

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CREATIVE: Juliette Sear with her cake creations.

Picture by Mark Cleveland



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Leigh kids get arty

LOLA Swain, the new Chair of Leigh Town Council and Councillor Margaret Cotgrove presented the prizes to the 2009 Leigh Art Trail young artists at the Stables, Chalkwell Park Drive.

All the exhibitors were from primary, junior and infant schools across the area.

Schools were asked to submit their five most talented pupils' work.

Judging took place last weekend at the Children's Art Workshops that were held in the Leigh Road Baptist Church garden.

Mrs Swain - who is also education officer for the Leigh Art Trail - and David

Elcock, Art Trail artist and community worker at Leigh Road Baptist Church, decided on the best pieces.

Mr Elcock said: "Judging this was very difficult as the work was of such a high standard."

Pupils, teachers, parents and family attended a private viewing and presentation ceremony before the exhibition opened the following day for the public.

TRAILBLAZERS: Chair of Leigh Town Council, Lola Swain, Councillor Margaret Cotgrove, and artist David Elcock present prizes to the Leigh Art Trail's young artists.

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School reunion

THE HEYCROFT Primary School in Leigh is celebrating its 40th anniversary this month.

The school is inviting all its ex-pupils and ex-staff to an informal get-together on Tuesday, June 30.

The school is also appealing for any photographs from the school's past as it has none of the school's first 25 years.

Admission to the get-together is by advance booking only.

Tickets cost £2 and all proceeds will go to Cancer Research in memory of teacher Alan Storrar.

For more information, call 01702 521832.

Charity match

A FOOTBALL match in aid of the Princes Trust will take place on Friday, July 31, at the Chelmsford City FC ground.

The match will be between Sceptre representatives (made up of the best players in the Sceptre Sunday League) versus a celebrity XI (line up yet to be confirmed).

There will be a pre-match warm-up at 7pm and kick off is at 7.45pm.

Tickets cost £5, £1 for under 16s and £10 for a family ticket.

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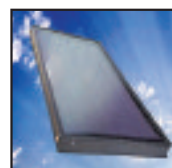


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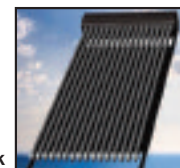
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Council's prospects 'are promising'

By Karen Davis

THE AUDIT Commission has released a report that classes Southend Council's Planning service as 'fair'.

On a scale from zero to three stars, the Audit Inspection Team gave the service a one star rating.

The inspectors added that the service has 'promising prospects for the future'.

Ian Davidson, audit commission senior manager said: "The council is aware of what it must do to improve the planning service."

"It has recruited new staff and used information technology to improve access."

"There are still things that the council must do, but with good leadership and commitment, the prospects for improvement are promising."

The inspectors noted how local people and stakeholders were helping to shape the planning policy and the service's good accessibility to customers.

However, the inspectors also pointed out that service standards are not currently publicised, meaning that users do not know what

level of service to expect when making an application, and that user satisfaction is poor.

The report also stated that the planning service is unable to show that it provides good value for money.

Executive councillor for transport and planning, Anna Waite reacted positively to the report.

She said: "It is pleasing to see that the inspectors have acknowledged the improvements we have made as well as our promising prospects."

"We have made considerable strides already since the inspection was undertaken, and we aim to continue to work hard to address the areas the inspectors have especially highlighted."

Copies of the report are available from Southend Council or from the Audit commission website at www.audit-commission.gov.uk

FORWARD PLANNING:
Anna Waite, executive councillor for transport and planning is optimistic about the future of Southend Council's Planning Services.

Picture by Mark Cleveland



The editor formally known as

Fidge

I'VE been out twice this week to enjoy some good old fashioned 'live' entertainment.

On Thursday night I headed to my local theatre to see a production of Bouncers. Four young actors played all the parts in front of an audience seemingly made up of friends and family.

It was what they call an 'intimate' performance, in a small studio next to the main theatre, but the young cast acted with gusto and great humour.

Towards the other end of the scale, I went to see Britpop stars Blur play their first tour gig since reforming at the Cliffs Pavilion on Sunday night.

Again, a fantastic performance from four young(ish) men - this time the crowd bulging with hundreds of fans.

I enjoyed both nights immensely and it has given me a taste for more live shows, especially at the theatre, whether it be a play or comedian doing a stand up.

But it seems to be something of a Catch 22 for the smaller theatres.

While acts like Blur will always sell out - probably twice over - smaller plays like Bouncers will not, but need to for the theatres to survive and the shows to go on.

Take the family and friends out of the audience for Bouncers and those four enthusiastic young men would have been playing to a handful of people. Their performance deserved more.

I've had a look on the websites of theatres across the region and there are some great shows coming up until the end of the year.

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NEW LAUNCH: Councillor Roger Hadley at the new centre, which is named after a legendary Dunkirk rescue vessel.
Picture by Mark Cleveland

Renown Centre for Learning opens up

By Karen Davis

A NEW centre named after a legendary Dunkirk rescue vessel has been launched to help children and young people with extra educational support.

Previously known as the Pupil Referral Unit, the Renown Centre for Learning in Shoeburyness offers children struggling with school a therapeutic experience with individual learning programmes.

The programmes aim to

develop and nurture social skills and academic achievement for children requiring specialist support and guidance.

This then enables them return to mainstream schools or go on to further training, employment or higher education.

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council's executive councillor for children and learning, Councillor Roger Hadley, said: "The Renown Centre for Learning offers a vital service to children and young people

in the borough who, for a variety of reasons, are undergoing educational difficulties.

"It gives them highly specialist support which is tailored to their own particular needs, to help them go on to develop and fulfil their potential in the future."

Mr Hadley added that the council felt it was fitting to name the building the Renown Centre for Learning, after the boat which went to Dunkirk in June 1940 to rescue British troops in what seemed like an impossible situation.

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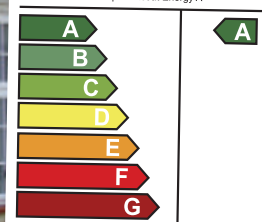
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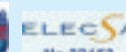
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WALK AND CYCLE: The launch of Cycle Essex at Hanningfield Reservoir with writer and broadcaster Nicholas Crane and Essex County Council tourism officer, Elli Constantatou.
Picture by Mark Cleveland



New Essex cycling network launched

By Paul Giles

A NEW network of cycling and walking routes has opened in Essex.

The five routes will offer journeys along almost 250 miles of country lanes, hidden byways, bridleways and public footpaths.

Essex County Council has created the five walking and cycling routes to get people more active.

Nicholas Crane, of TV's Coast series, officially opened the new cycling networks at Hanningfield Reservoir last Tuesday.

Mr Crane, who lives in London, said it had been great to be set loose to ride in Essex.

"The thing about Essex, is it is perfectly designed for cycling," he said.

"The terrain in Essex is sympathetic to cyclists with beautiful rolling hills and the longest coastline in the country. If it's too flat, the ride becomes boring."

"It's different from cycling in the Lake District or Scotland because it has the best climate in the country and is the driest area in the UK."

Two packages containing five maps have been created to help people navigate their way around the countryside. Routes range from taking people around historical sites and visiting designer shops to travelling through Constable country.

The rides and walks provide the perfect opportunity to explore much of the county with shorter alternatives incorporated in each trail for those simply wanting a few hours of pleasant exploration.

The maps allow you to pick up the route at any point and follow it in either direction.

All maps provide information on places of interest and attractions to visit along the way, together with accommodation and places to eat.

To request a free map, call 0845 600 7373 or go to the brochure request section at www.visitessex.com.

The walking routes cover around 51 miles.

The routes:

- Saffron Walden and Thaxted (Medieval markets, mazes and Morris dancing)
- Braintree and Great Dunmow (designer shopping)
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YA reporter Paul Giles puts the cycle routes to the test

IT felt a bit daunting. I surveyed the nine-and-a-half mile bike ride on the map supplied.

I generally ride only short distances, so this was something else.

It took us 30 minutes to reach Hyde Hall from Hanningfield Reservoir, cycling through tiny hamlets with people waving as we passed. It felt like a different world.

As someone who has always lived in Essex, I was pleasantly surprised at the amount of open fields, rolling hills and woodland that could be seen and the peace of it all.

Heading back to the reservoir, we cycled along some of the quietest



roads I've ever experienced.

The routes have been chosen with great care and thought for safety.

It was a pleasant way to spend a sunny day - and I will attempt longer rides in the future.

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HAIR-RAISING: Hairdressers Hannah Taylor and Dionne Brewer are skydiving to raise cash for Little Havens.

Picture by Mark Cleveland



Duo's hair-raising charity adventure

By Karen Davis

WORKMATES at a Leigh hairdressers have raised over £1,500 for Little Havens and hope to reach their target of £2,000 by skydiving later this month.

Hannah Taylor and Dionne Brewer work at Staffords in London Road, Leigh, and over the last few months have held various events to boost funds for the chil-

dren's hospice.

The most recent event, at Ocean City Restaurant in The Ridgeway, Leigh, brought them £700 nearer to their goal, but they are hoping to attain their total with the skydive on Saturday, June 27.

The girls will each be doing a tandem dive at Headcorn Aerodrome in Maidstone, Kent.

Hannah said: "We are really pleased with the amount of cash

that we have already made and are looking forward to the skydive, which we hope will get people to donate to a very good cause."

The pair are also raffling two tickets to see We Will Rock You in the West End.

For more information or to sponsor the duo, call 07950 477153 or take a look at www.justgiving.com/hannah_taylor

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It's Moonlight Colourthon time

CHALKWELL Park will be the starting point for a Moonlight Colourthon on Saturday, July 4.

The 13.1-mile walk starts at 8pm and will be raising money for Breast Cancer Care.

Walkers will be going along the seafront then back to the park, where they will receive a medal.

To register for the event - which costs £15 - call 020 7749 4126 or see www.moonlightcolourthon.co.uk

'Yes' to care home plans?

COUNCILLORS are recommended to approve plans to build a 50-bed residential care home in Rayleigh.

Rochford District Council members were due to decide on an application made by A.D.C Ltd for a development off London Road on Tuesday.

The home will replace a forecourt canopy, two-storey building and a car wash.

Fireman Sam's in town

RAYLEIGH fire crews will join Fireman Sam at a town toyshop.

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OPEN FOR LAUNCHES: Thorpe Bay Yacht Club's Mike Thomasson by the new slipway, opposite the club.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

New slipway for local yacht club

By Karen Davis

A NEW purpose-built slipway for Thorpe Bay Yacht Club will be officially opened on Saturday.

Located on the north side of the Thames Estuary, the project started in 2004 to replace the existing wooden slipway, which was perishing rapidly.

The new steel and concrete slipway is expected to last up to 100 years.

Mike Thomasson, from the yacht club, said: "The new slipway will be of huge advantage to our members - the old one was so damaged it was effectively out of bounds."

The club will now be able to expand its sailing facilities.

It plans to launch a new scheme in 2010 called 'Onboard in the Community', which will offer free training to local community groups and schools.

The grand opening will take place at noon.

For more information about the yacht club or new slipway, call 01702 587563.

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£5k boost for St John Ambulance

A GRANT of £5,000 has been handed over to a group of Rochford volunteers.

Rochford District Council provided the cash to St John Ambulance officers and members from the Hawkwell & Hockley and Rayleigh

Quadrilateral Division.

St John Ambulance was Councillor Jim Grey's nominated charity during his term in office.

The money will be used to purchase new operational and training equipment.



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Students win poster competition

TWO Rayleigh students were named winners of a poster competition. Kayley Wooller and Lauren Hahn, both 11, scooped the awards for a poster competition to promote National Food Safety Week.

Bryony Dell, from King Edmund School in Rochford, was also selected to win a prize for a poster promoting the benefits of not smoking.

The presentation took place on Monday.

Disability Symbol for Rochford Council

A SPECIAL symbol has been handed to Rochford District Council.

The council was awarded a Disability Symbol by Jobcentre Plus, which is given to organisations that demonstrate commitments in recruiting, employing and providing career development for disabled people.

A disability employment adviser recommended the mark to the JobCentre Plus District Office.

Stay safe with food

ELDERLY people have been warned not to take risks with food by Rochford District Council officers.

Council workers are concerned people over 60 are taking more risks with 'use by dates' than any other residents.

The call followed new research findings published by the Food Standards Agency (FSA).

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Hospital's food awareness day

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On Friday, July 3, staff will be holding a Food and Nutrition Awareness Day from 10am to 4pm.

The event, to be held in the hospital boardroom, will highlight everything the hospital does to ensure patients get the correct nutrition.

Hospital dieticians will be on hand to speak to patients, as well as a team of 'Feeding Buddies'.

Pitch an idea for Vcashpoint

THE NATIONAL Young Volunteers Service is launching its next round of Vcashpoint funding for young people in England.

The scheme helps young people aged between 16-25 who want to set up their own community project.

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Applications for this year's Vcashpoint close on Tuesday, August 17.

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London to Southend Classic Car Run

THE LONDON to Southend Annual Classic Car Run will be sponsored by the Eastgate Shopping Centre in Basildon and Southend Council.

The starting point for this year's event - on Sunday, July 26, is Fairlop Waters in Hainault.

There will be a halfway stop in Basildon for refreshments before finishing on Southend Seafrost.

Entries are restricted to vehicles registered before January 1, 1976.

You may start from Basildon only if you enter a pre-1950 vehicle.

All entrants will receive a car rally plate, route plan, commemorative plaque and free parking on the seafrost.

Prizes will also be awarded to occupants best dressed in the period of the car, best pre-war car and best post 1960s car.

For more information, visit www.sevvcv.co.uk

Southend Festival exhibition

THE LARGEST free exhibition in Southend took place last week at South East Essex College, Luker Road, Southend.

More than 400 students displayed their work at the Faculty of Media and Performing Arts' annual End Of Year Show as part of Southend Festival Seven.

The exhibition featured work produced by students specialising in diverse specialities such as fashion, graphic design, fine art, interactive media, photography, publishing, art and design and moving image.

Southend Festival Seven has events taking place throughout June - for more information, visit www.southendfestival.com

For more news, sport and blogs, visit www.yellowad.co.uk

Hallmark for hospice

THE WORK of a local charity has been recognised by a governing body.

Havens Hospices has been re-credited with a CHKS (Caspe Healthcare Knowledge Systems) Healthcare certificate.

The certificates were handed out by the Mayor, Brian Smith, during a

Cream Tea Celebration at Porters.

Head of patient services and project manager, Catherine Wood, said: "This is terrific news for everyone at Havens Hospices."

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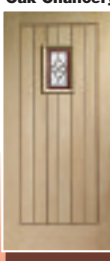
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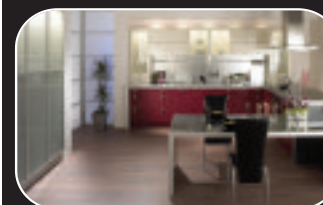
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Armed Forces Day march



PARADE: Castle Point MP Bob Spink with Canvey Town councillors ahead of Armed Forces Day.
Picture by Martin Dalton

HUNDREDS of soldiers will walk through Canvey in an action-packed Armed Force's Day.

On Saturday, June 27, members of Canvey British Legion, Gurkhas, Royal Anglian Regiment, Chelsea pensioners and the RNLI will march to the Paddocks, in Long Road.

The event, organised by Canvey Town Council and

Castle Point MP Bob Spink, will start from Furtherwick Park School at 10.15am.

Dr Spink said: "I am most grateful to the Canvey Town Councillors who have made a magnificent effort to honour our Armed Forces."

"This should be a wonderful spectacle and all will be very welcome."

For more information, call 01268 683971.

Remembering them

SPECIAL flag raising ceremonies remembering those who went to war for Britain took place in Southend and Castle Point.

Southend Hospital and Castle Point Council held memorial services at their grounds on Monday for Armed Forces Day.

And more than 100 people attended Castle Point Council's event at the council offices, in Kiln Road, Thundersley.

The Air Training Corps (ATC), Royal British Legion and Women's Land Army all attended.

The bugle was sounded and a flag was raised. The official flag will be raised on Saturday.

Medals were all so presented to 51 Castle Point women who served in the Land Army.

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SUCCESS: Company director Ray Chuter by a work-based catamaran.
Picture by Mark Cleveland

Bobbing along nicely

By Matthew Stanton

A CANVEY boat building business was one of hundreds invited to a major event in Southampton.

Blyth Workcats, based at Charfleets Industrial Estate, Long Road, displayed its working catamarans at Seawork Commercial Boat Show, which finished last Thursday.

The firm's newest vessel, New Blyth 11-metre fast sup-

port vessel, can reach speeds of 35 knots and has space to take 12 engineers to wind farms in different projects across the UK.

Simon Salkeld, production manager, said: "Despite the current economic situation, the commercial work boat market continues to buck the trend and remains very buoyant for UK manufacturers."

"This was apparent at the show, which was a success."

The company, which started in 1989, was the first to design a glassed reinforced plastic commercial catamaran in the UK.

Its vessels are used as dive boats, charter anglers, potters, netters and passenger boats.

The business is so popular, orders are now being taken for delivery in 2010.

Blyth Workcats will attend the Dubai Boat Show next March for its second time.

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Station assault

POLICE are appealing for witnesses following an assault at Rochford railway station.

The 30-year-old victim, from Westcliff, was waiting for a Southend-bound train with his girlfriend when two men came onto the platform.

One of them was swearing so the victim asked him to calm down at 10.45pm on Saturday, June 6.

The thugs attacked the victim, punching and

kicking him and breaking his jaw.

The victim had a metal plate inserted at Basildon Hospital.

Anyone with information should contact 0800 40 50 40 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Have your say

CANVEY residents can comment on the regeneration of the town centre at a new shop.

Castle Point Regeneration Partnership will consult

with islanders in the former Select shop in the Knightswick Centre, off Furtherwick Park Road, from Wednesday, July 8.

The consultation unit - called Canvey Comes Alive - will look for planning permission from Castle Point Council a day before.

The shop will be manned on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and on Saturday mornings.

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By Karen Davis

A YOUNG volunteer is appealing for newly qualified beauty therapists in the Southend area to practice their skills at a conference to be held in July.

Aimee Lynch, 20, is a volunteer at Friendship House in Southchurch Road, Southend.

She is organising a conference to challenge the Essex Girl stereotype to be held at South East Essex College at the end of July.

She hopes that the therapists will be able to give treatments to the attendees.

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CHALLENGING:
Volunteer Aimee Lynch is looking for beauty therapists to help at a conference in July.

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Firefighters rescue horse

A HORSE was rescued from a ditch in Pottin Island.

Fire fighters attended the scene in Common Road at around 5.50pm on Friday.

The animal was then placed in the care of a vet.

Cycle challenge for police officers

OFFICERS from Castle Point and Rochford took part in a cycle week.

Members of Essex Police visited all 11 police stations in the south eastern division on Sunday.

The 40-mile journey started off at Southend police station in Victoria Avenue.

The 20 participants finished the trip off with a barbecue.

All money raised from the day will go to the Help for Heroes charity.

Man suffers injuries in serious attack

A BENFLEET man suffered life-threatening injuries after being attacked with a pick-axe handle.

The incident took place a flat in High Road, Benfleet, at around 3.30am on Sunday.

A 28-year-old had been struck several times with the handle, leaving him with a fractured skull and broken wrist. He is in a stable condition in hospital.

Richard Hall, 22, of Victoria Avenue, was due to appear at Southend Magistrates Court on Monday charged with causing grievous bodily harm.

Pair bailed following sexual assault

TWO Benfleet men have been bailed following a serious sexual assault of a

teenager in Southend.

The men, aged 19 and 20, have been bailed until Tuesday, September 22, following an incident involving a 18-year-old girl, also from Benfleet, in an underground car par off Leather Lane on Saturday morning.

Yobs attack allotment holder

AN ELDERLY allotment holder was kicked

in the face while trying to make a citizen's arrest.

The 71-year-old man and a friend confronted a gang of six youths who wrecked his allotment at John Burrows, Hadleigh.

The pensioner, from Thundersley, grabbed one yob, aged around ten, as he ran off after ripping potatoes from the ground.

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The trail is also intended to bring public attention to local artists and young people's work throughout the four year Cultural Olympiad, where many national, regional and local projects will take place to encourage creativity and local culture.

A virtual tour of the trail is available from www.brentwood.gov.uk



Big Garden

PEOPLE will be able to take part in the Big Garden Volunteer this Saturday, at High Woods Country Park, in Colchester.

Visitors can discover the health benefits and pleasure of growing organic fruit and vegetables in a sustainable way.

Anyone wanting to attend the event should meet the community gardener at the Visitor's Centre, in Turner Road, at 11am.

The Big Garden will finish at 3pm and all children must be accompanied.

For more information, contact 01206 853588.

The event runs from 9am to 3pm.

Bike check

KEEN cyclists can have a free Bike Check Up with Dr Bike in Colchester this Saturday.

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Sunday Stroll

PEOPLE can take part in a healthy Sunday Stroll at High Woods Country Park this weekend.

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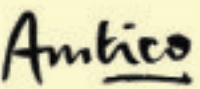



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EVERY June, Judy and Adrian Cowan open their beautiful garden to support St Francis Hospice, and every year they have something new to show visitors.

"We have an open day every year for St Francis Hospice. It does such marvellous work and staff there were so good when Adrian's mother had cancer," Judy said.

They will be throwing open the garden gates between 11am and 4pm on Sunday.

This year it is Judy's decorative vegetable beds which will be a talking point at Little Myles in Stondon Massey.

She has planted four attractive squares to show off different shaped leaves and shades of lettuces, rhubarb chard, carrots and courgettes.

With so many variety of lettuce to choose from, Judy's favourite is cut-and-come again.

"It saves re-planting. Cut what you need and the lettuce will replenish itself," she said. "Everyone is planting vegetables at the moment. There is a real grow-your-own movement.

"We've always grown vegetable here, but I thought I would make it less boring than a traditional patch."

The garden is full of surprises. It is a place to wander round and into a romantic garden with roses, herb garden or an Asian garden.

There is a touch of humour too, with Judy's pottery and wire figures, which turn up when least expected.

The Cowans have lived in their 17th century home for 36 years and have devoted themselves to the property and its three acres.

One of which is a cultivated garden, one a wild flower meadow, and the last one just wild.

"It's a magical place to live," Judy said.

Little Myles opens for St Francis Hospice on Sunday and on Sunday, July 5 for the National Garden Scheme charity from 11am to 4pm.

Healthy eating advice

A HEALTHY eating awareness day will take place at Southend Hospital.

Hospital bosses will give advice and talks on foods in the hospital boardroom on Friday, July 3.

'Feeding Buddies' will be on hand for those patients who need help and encouragement to eat.

Mural installed

A GIANT mural has been installed at a Hadleigh restaurant and training centre.

The artwork produced by SEEVIC College pupils was placed inside Hadleigh Castle Salvation Army, off Castle Lane.

The students spent two weeks in a barn next to a borough fishing lake working on the mural.

Three decades of festival food

By Jenny Green

NOT many of us will do the same job for 30 years and enjoy it, but that is what Leon Lewis has done.

The vegetarian caterer, from Brentwood, has spent the last three decades dishing up food for festival-goers, and has no plans to ease up.

It was back in 1979 that Leon first fell in love with festivals.

After a trip to the Rougham Tree Fair, he traded in life as a maths teacher for long hours and muddy fields, and what started off as 'a bit of fun' turned into a serious career.

This year, Leon will be at all the big festivals including Glastonbury

and WOMAD, but he'll also be tantalising our tastebuds in Essex at the likes of the Sutton With Shopland Festival and Offset.

He serves 'almost entirely vegan' food at festivals. He collects his wild garlic and mushrooms from local woodland and also uses biodegradable plates and cutlery.

Indeed, Leon's food has stuck in the minds of many. His private catering service is fully booked, weddings are often organised around when he is available and two babies have been named after him.

For more information about Leon and where he'll be this summer, visit www.leonlewis.co.uk

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Inventor's award

By Matthew Stanton

A HOCKLEY inventor, whose first customer was The Queen, has won a Royal award.

Charles Bickford, who owns Excalibur Screwbolts, in Lower Road, won the Queen's Award for Innovation for 2009.

The 73-year-old, who started the firm in 1986, provided screwbolts to Buckingham Palace to secure the roof of a stable block being repaired.

The grandfather said: "I am absolutely delighted at receiving such an accolade."

"We always knew our screwbolt was a world beater. Now that has been recognised."

The idea for the screwbolt came to Mr Bickford when he had problems attaching various materials.

Millions of his products are now used globally and across a range of industries from construction and railways through to form-making and security.

The firm has won major international



WINNER: Charles Bickford.
Picture by Martin Dalton

contracts including fixing the seating at the Olympic Stadium in Atlanta and

securing services to the Channel Tunnel Rail Link.

■ Me and my....

How did you get involved with business?

I started a Hockley plastering company with my brother, Reg, after working as a trainee engineer on the Isle of Grain for a firm called Wimpey.

We started Bigfoot Brothers in 1959, mainly business installations.

Before getting involved with running companies I got work as a trainee pastry cook at James the Bakers, Southend, after leaving Rochford Primary School.

What was the inspiration behind screw bolts?

I was asked to test some bolts that were going to be used on some new flats in Redbridge.

We discovered that these bolts were not strong enough and the drill bit kept sticking into the wall. They had a 15-year guarantee but they were not good enough.

This was the moment Reg and I decided to get involved with screw bolts.

I had no knowledge whatsoever about bolts but I had 15 years worth

of experience in plastering, so I had some dealings with bolts. We took a gamble and sold the plastering business to start up Excalibur Screw Bolts Ltd, Hockley, in 1986.

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Opinion and readers' letters

We cannot afford to lose our firefighters



A ROW is quietly brewing – and it's one that represents significant public concern for the latter part of this summer.

Fire crews in Essex have threatened industrial action if plans to cut emergency staff are not reversed.

The county is no stranger to strike action, with past campaigns over the removal of vital equipment having occurred twice in the last decade.

But this time around, the Fire Brigades Union has accused the Essex Fire Authority of targeting frontline crews.

Fire officials claim the union is being 'totally irresponsible' by pursuing strike action that will bring financial hardship on the service and firefighters.

The fire service argues that most of the proposed changes have

already been introduced at other locations country wide.

Their problem is that Essex remains one of the most militant areas in the UK with staff determined to do their best to preserve jobs.

That's a double edged sword for people of Essex – good if the union manages to safeguard service cuts in the long term, but bad in the short term if the public is denied a full service by imminent industrial action.

Public support has, in the past, been significant for the men and women of the fire service.

I suspect that will not have changed, even in these times of severe financial constraint.

We can afford to lose our overpaid high street bankers and MPs – but we can't afford to lose our firefighters.

Dog owners are deluded

I AM amazed at the amount of deluded dog owners involved in this latest protest.

It really is about time owners took the correct responsibility for their pets' bowel activities.

Surely nobody wants to have to remove their pet's remains from their footwear, after trying to enjoy a walk on the beaches.

Southend has worked hard to gain its Blue Flag Award and it would be a waste to lose it because of inconsiderate dog owners.

I am an animal lover, but feel that the ban should remain, in the interests of good hygiene.

I'm sure the protesters will dig their heels in over this. I just hope they dig their heels in their own dogs' excrement and may then view things clearer.

Mr Roy King
Via e-mail

Get dogs off the beach

HOW wonderful it would be to be able to go for a walk along any pavement, take a stroll though any local park, or simply step outside your house without a constant squelch or near miss of dog poo. No, nobody can, it's

everywhere.

Last week, we counted 16 piles on our eight-minute walk to school and this included the really helpful people who even bag it first, and then leave it on the pavement.

Why shouldn't we ask for a beach to be free of this menace? If you don't tread in it on the beach, or unsuspecting children incorporate it into their sandcastles, you have someone else's 'pride and joy' stuffing its stinky nose into your picnic.

Get dogs off the beach, they 'go' everywhere else.

Mr D McGuinness
Westbury Road, Southend

Council must get priorities straight

I READ with interest last week the item on Southend Council's intention to ban dogs from the beaches.

Saturday evening following a visit to our daughter's in Prittlewell, my wife and I decided to walk our dog on a section of beach at Westcliff, where the yachts are kept.

What we found was absolutely disgusting.

The beach was littered with drinks cans (mainly alcohol), jagged broken glass and rubbish in the form of broken jagged metal in the approaching tide along with part of a bicycle.

I know Southend Council are trying to protect holiday-makers and people visiting the beach from the possibility of dog mess, but surely they need to protect them from injury from the rubbish on their beaches.

We had to take our dog off the beach for fear of her coming to serious injury on a piece of glass.

Southend Council need to get their priorities in order and clean up the beaches before making these rules.

Ray Battie
Coppice Lane, Noak Bridge, Basildon

Has council got the guts for ban?

I COMPLETELY agree with Southend Council to ban dogs on our beaches. I think they should be banned from all beaches, parks and family areas.

I am a dog lover and in fact I have had four of my own and never took them to the beach.

Now I have five grand-children and had many a lovely day out ruined by dogs' faeces.

Just let's see if Southend Council have got the guts to enforce it or will they, like always, give in again to

Thorpe Bay residents.

Name and address supplied

There's more to life than flowers

JUST a small point that I don't think I have read. Do your readers realise that flowers are actually an infection control risk as well?

When the water goes stagnant, the horrible smell is actually the bug pseudomonas. People are very quick to be up in arms about MRSA, C Diff etc. Perhaps they'd feel the same about pseudomonas.

I used to be a nurse at the hospital, and I am on the large side. Some of the bedsides are so small, it is difficult not to catch vases and knock them flying... when spilt, as you know, water goes on and on and on.

It seems a shame people get upset about the silliest things. There are far more important things going on in the world – and indeed in our own area.

Name and address supplied

What about a nice book?

I FEEL at least the flowers bought into hospital have received a vase of water.

What gets me angry is when there is a roadside accident and people put piles of flowers wrapped in paper on the spot of the accident. Why should the flowers die?

Remember the poor flowers outside Buckingham Palace when Princess Di died?

Better a book of remembrance, say I.

Irene Palmer
Prince Avenue, Southend

Check your facts better

THE letter from Mr Free (YA Letters, Jun 18) is yet another example of the misinformation and inaccuracy peddled by the anti-airport lobby.

Mr Free says that previous runway extensions have not resulted in increases in passengers or jobs; well the one carried out in the 1950s (the last time the runway was extended) resulted in Southend becoming a holiday departure point up until the 1970s.

The last runway change, in 2004, actually reduced the runway length available because Runway End Safety Areas were introduced by the CAA. This has since hampered the airport's efforts to attract new operators.

The planned extension of the runway will restore its useable length to that available at Southampton which attracts nearly 2 million pas-

sengers per annum serving some 40 destinations.

To say that a 200m extension will not make any difference is not true because at present Easyjet (just as one example) have Standard Operating Procedures which prevent them operating regular flights from runways less than 1,799 metres in length. This is the length to which Southend's runway will be extended.

Mr Free was this week rebuked in a letter by the Vicar of St Laurence Church for his assertion that part of the churchyard would be lost in the extension went ahead, so I suggest he checks his facts more carefully in future.

Nigel Stockwell
Via e-mail

Show is not for animal lovers

JOUSTING, sheep racing, fishing, donkey rides, ferret racing... These are just some of the activities advertised for the Robin Hood Country Show in Southend. In addition, there is an 'animal area' – whatever that means.

The show's website refers to: '...all aspects of country living, including country sports such as fishing and shooting'.

Animals are actually living, breathing and sentient individuals. They are not here purely for our entertainment. To use animals in this way, can cause them untold stress and pain.

At least the poor hog on the roast will be dead – or at least I sincerely hope so!

We should move on from medieval times, at least in terms of how we treat animals. Just what significance many of these activities have in relation to the days of Robin Hood, heaven only knows.

I cannot imagine any true animal lover wanting to visit this show.

Garry Sheen
Boyce Hill Close, Leigh

Say 'no' to the Euro

AS long ago as January 1997, Lou Hughes, then head of General Motors Europe, spelt out the risks in the British Press of the single currency by declaring that it would bring 'pain and unemployment' to the whole of the EU.

Well, that's foresight for you. However, although countries such as Portugal, Italy Greece and Spain are suffering from the Euro's strength, Lord Mandelson has the cheek to tell Germany that the UK wishes give up the pound and adopt the Euro.

James Mills
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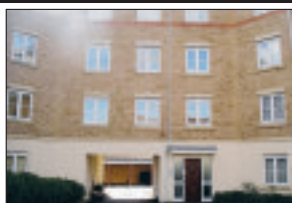
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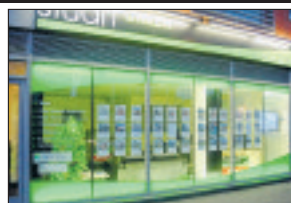
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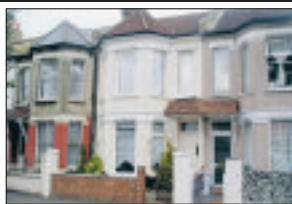
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Central location of Southchurch well presented semi detached family home with accommodation comprising three bedrooms and four reception rooms, the property also benefits from attractive modern fitted kitchen with integrated appliances and open plan breakfast room, gas central heating, double glazing, 60' South backing garden and off street parking



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £79,995

Purpose built one bedroom ground floor flat situated in a popular location of Westcliff and offering vacant possession. The property has gas central heating via radiators, spacious lounge with open plan kitchen, and has communal parking to the rear.



MILTON CONSERVATION AREA £109,995

Second floor apartment being situated within the sought after Milton Conservation Area, lounge, fitted kitchen/diner, double bedroom, bathroom/wc, communal off street parking, gardens to rear.



BENFLEET £84,995

Self contained one bedroom first floor apartment in sought after gated development, central location close to local shops, attractive communal gardens and off street parking, purchaser restriction age 55 or over, vacant possession.



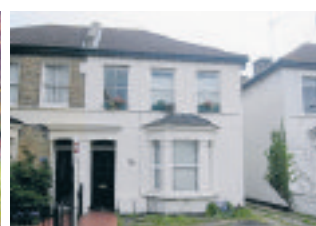
SOUTHEND ON SEA £485 pcm

Rear cottage of Southend seafront, fully refurbished, lounge incorporating kitchen area with integrated oven and grill, plumbing for washing machine, recess for upright fridge/freezer, newly fitted kitchen units, ground floor shower room/wc with new white suite, first floor double bedroom, gas central heating



ROCHFORD £1,200 pcm

Refurbished detached character chalet being situated in this sought after location off Hall Road. The property benefits from four double bedrooms, two reception rooms, newly fitted kitchen/ breakfast room, newly installed ground floor shower room, further new ground floor bathroom/ wc. The rear garden is laid to lawn and there is off street parking for two vehicles



MILTON CONSERVATION AREA £560 pcm

Attractive first floor apartment, lounge, two bedrooms (one double and one small single), fitted kitchen with refrigerator and gas cooker, modern white bathroom suite with wc, off street parking to front, double glazing, gas central heating. Sought after Milton Conservation Area



SHOEBURYNESS £400 pcm

Central location of Shoebury, good size lounge, double bedroom, fitted kitchen with recess for electric cooker, plumbing and recess for washing machine and fridge/freezer, bathroom/wc



SOUTHEND ON SEA £540 pcm

The property is self contained and benefits from a spacious lounge, two good size bedrooms, fitted kitchen, bathroom and separate wc, rear balcony with stairs leading down to own share of a good size rear garden, gas central heating, double glazing

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THUNDERSLEY £238,500



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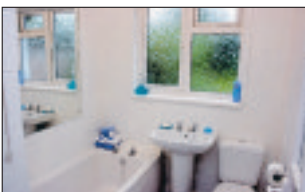
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NO CHAIN

A semi detached bungalow situated in a quiet road off Highlands Boulevard offering a spacious Kitchen-Diner, 2 double bedrooms, good size lounge, new white bathroom, new fitted carpets, double glazed & GCHeating, secluded 66ft garden, off street parking. The bungalow is offered with no onward chain.

HIGHLANDS £217,000



HADLEIGH - 3 BEDROOMS £295,000



Hadleigh. Exceptionally large and beautifully presented detached 3 bungalow, almost completely rebuilt and very well fitted out with full double glazing, 23' x 14' lounge, separate dining room, modern double glazed conservatory and very well fitted kitchen. Vast family bathroom and master bedroom suite with walk-in wardrobe and shower room. Garage and gardens to three sides.

MARINE ESTATE £320,000



NEW

Marine Estate. Large detached chalet bungalow of character situated in this quiet and much sought after location. 2 large living rooms, 2 double bedrooms, old fitted kitchen, sun lounge and 28' loft room. Large detached garage, driveway and additional parking. Priced to allow for modernisation.



BELFAIRS ESTATE £269,995



BOLD CORNER PLOT

NEW - SOLE AGENT - Situated on a bold corner plot on the highly popular Belfairs Estate, we are pleased to offer for sale this fully detached bungalow with a spacious entrance hall attractive lounge over looking the rear garden, 2 double bedrooms, good size kitchen-diner, bathroom, G.C.heating, original lead life windows, attractive gardens to 3 sides of the bungalow, detached garage & parking to rear. The bungalow is offered with no onward chain,



HIGHLANDS £239,995



Character well presented semi detached house in quiet road on the Highlands Estate within the West Leigh catchment, 2 reception rooms, good size fitted kitchen, sun lounge, 3 bedrooms, spacious family bathroom, attractive well stocked 70ft garden with 2 decked seating areas, off street parking, G.C.heating & double glazed, short walk to Belfairs woods

MARINE ESTATE £135,000



NEW

Marine Estate. Purpose built ground floor flat in the this much sought after block with lovely communal gardens. The flat needs updating but offers large well planned accommodation with a 16' lounge, 2 double bedrooms, old but fitted kitchen and large bathroom. Gas central heating and uPVC double glazing.



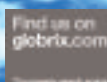
LEIGH £199,500



Large and very well presented family house with uPVC double glazing and gas central heating. 3 double bedrooms, large open plan lounge, refitted kitchen-diner and large refitted bathroom. 26' x 9' garage and well laid out west backing garden. Very good value home in a quiet location.

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LEIGH ON SEA £199,995



NEW

Overlooking Blenheim Park and enjoying a 65' rear garden can be found this very well presented three bedroomed semi detached house. The property offers a modernised kitchen diner and separate lounge, gas central heating and double glazing. Potential exists for off road parking for two cars (subject to council approval). Local schools for all ages are nearby and we would urge applicants to make an early appointment to view

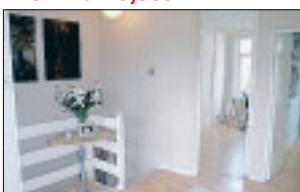


SOUTH OF LONDON ROAD £149,995



NEW

Situated just off Leigh Broadway and internally decorated to a high standard can be found this Two bedroomed first floor flat, complete with Double Glazing and Gas central heating. The property offers a modern fitted kitchen and bathroom and is within reach of the main line railway station. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

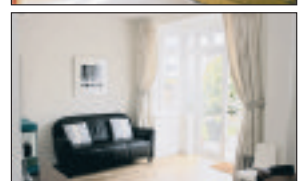
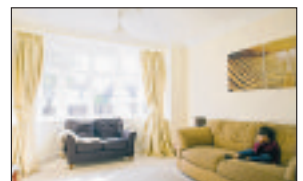


SOUTH LEIGH £525,000



NEW

A unique detached four/five bedroom family home situated just yards from Leigh Road shopping facilities. Within a short walk of Chalkwell Station. Standing on an imposing corner position, the house has large, versatile and bright accommodation with a contemporary feel, laid out over three floors. Three reception rooms to ground floor and balconies to the first and second floor bedrooms offering far reaching views of the Estuary. The property has been lovingly restored, extended and refurbished by the present owners.



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BACK ON MARKET

Vacant two bedroom ground floor flat South of London Road. Close to local shops in Leigh Road and Broadway. Within reach of Chalkwell Station. Own small rear garden. Sought after position.

LEIGH ON SEA £125,000



CLOSE TO SHOPS

Purpose built second floor Retirement Flat with lift services. Situated on the corner of Leigh road and Chalkwell park drive therefore very convenient for shopping facilities and Leigh Broadway. The apartment offers a lounge with west facing balcony fitted kitchen bedroom and bathroom has been designed with wide doorways for wheelchair users and additional features such as waist high power points and emergency pull cords. Communal gardens and parking

LEIGH ON SEA £199,000



NEAR CHALK WELL PARK

A first floor purpose built retirement flat with superb views towards the estuary. Spacious lounge with South facing balcony offering lovely views, two bedrooms, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, bathroom, double glazing, economy 10 heating, lift service, communal parking area and gardens. Age requirement 60 years plus. Very nicely decorated. Viewing highly recommended.

EASTWOOD £225,000



3 BEDS

Three bedroom detached house. Heycroft School catchment area. Close to local supermarket. Separate dining room. Fully double glazed. Garage. Gas central heating by radiators. Ground floor cloakroom. Nobles Green area. Quiet Cul-de-sac location.

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SOUTHCHURCH SOUTH £194,950



Situated close to Southchurch Park is this three bedroom house. Gas central heating & u.P.V.C. double glazed windows. Front Lounge, sep. dining room, kitchen, bathroom & w.c., off street car parking & delightful rear garden approx 70' in depth. Ideal family purchase located in this popular area on the Southend/Thorpe bay borders.

SOUTH OF THE LONDON ROAD - WESTCLIFF - £215,000



Spacious four bedroom end of terrace house. The property offers front lounge, sep. dining room, 19'9 x 10'8 fitted kitchen/breakfast room. Re-fitted bathroom & w.c. Gas fired central heating & mainly u.P.V.C. double glazed. Neat easily maintained gardens. Excellent family purchase with internal inspection strongly recommended.

WESTCLIFF £127,500



A Delightful gas centrally heated two bedroom first floor flat. Front lounge-diner. Modern re-fitted kitchen, bathroom, master bedroom with en-suite shower, own rear garden with westerly aspect. Excellent first time purchase with internal viewing strongly recommended.

PRITTLEWELL £199,950



Semi-detached extensively improved three Bedroom Chalet Bungalow. Lounge/dining room, modern kitchen, re-fitted bathroom and study. Gas fired central heating & modern double glazed windows. Attractive block paved front garden with parking for 2/3 vehicles & secluded westerly backing rear garden approx 48' in depth.

WESTCLIFF £140,000



Delightful ground floor flat offering two double bedroom accommodation. Lounge with feature fireplace, large 'shaker' style kitchen/breakfast room with split level oven & hob, utility, spacious bathroom & w.c. decked rear garden & off street car parking space. Gas fired central heating & modern u.P.V.C. double glazing.

SOUTHEND - CONSERVATION AREA £189,500



A delightful first floor apartment offering good sized three bedroom accommodation & situated in the Shorefields Conservation area. Front Lounge, dining area, kitchen/breakfast room, luxury en-suite to master, bedroom 3 with en-suite, car parking space.



WESTCLIFF £189,950



Detached two bed bungalow, delightful 140' rear garden with secluded westerly backing aspect. Realistically priced to allow for general updating the property has lounge, dining room, u.P.V.C. double glazed conservatory, kitchen, re-fitted bathroom. Gas fired central heating & is mainly double glazed. Double off street car parking.

SOUTHEND £199,000



A deceptively spacious four bedroom gas centrally heated House situated in this popular location close to Southchurch Park. Front Lounge, sitting room, dining room, 16'3 kitchen/breakfast room overlooking westerly backing garden. Off street car parking space.



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SHOEBURYNESSE £220,000



An excellent opportunity has arisen to purchase this detached chalet style property situated within half mile of Shoeburyness East Beach and within one mile of the station and High Street shops. The property is presented to a high standard throughout by our owner clients and in order to appreciate the deceptive nature of the space offered internal viewing is recommended.



THORPE BAY £349,995



This fully detached bungalow is presented and refurbished to an exceptional standard by our owner client and offers spacious accommodation decorated to a professional standard. Chelworth Crescent is within a mile of Thorpe Bay station and The Broadway shops and as vendors sole agent we recommend early viewing.

THORPE BAY £495,000



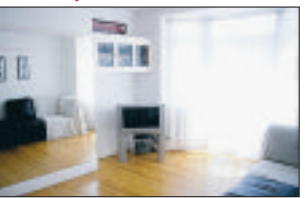
A superb opportunity has arisen to purchase this five bedroom detached family house situated in this much sought after location and being within the Bournes Green School Catchment area. This exceptional family home offers bright and contemporary accommodation with the advantage of two en-suite shower rooms and to the rear a landscaped 50' wide un-overlooked garden.



SHOEBURYNESSE £299,995



An excellent opportunity has arisen to purchase this three bedroom traditional style detached house situated on the much sought after Thorpedene Estate being within one mile of the beach and offering no onward chain. The property has been in our opinion refurbished to a high standard throughout by our owner clients and to the rear extends an approximate 100' x 35' garden.



Mrs W has SOLD and is looking for a detached character property in the Thorpe Bay Burges estate up to £750,000. Call for a FREE market appraisal. HIPS are £299 + VAT

SHOEBURYNESSE £325,000



An attractive detached family home situated on a West backing plot in this much sought after South Shoeburyness location. The property is offered for sale with no onward chain and in addition to the four bedrooms, the master with an en-suite bathroom, there are three receptions and to the rear extends a West backing walled garden.



SOUTHCHURCH NEW PRICE £139,995



SOUTHEND ON SEA SOLE AGENTS. Literally overlooking the ESTUARY with glorious waterside views from the lounge. TWO bedroom FIRST FLOOR flat with NO ONWARD CHAIN. Looking to move Quickly then view without delay. Gas Central Heating, Kitchen Shower room. Many original character features.



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WOODSIDE, LEIGH £800 PCM

BELFAIRS ESTATE



- Semi detached bungalow
- Two large bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Attractive lounge
- Conservatory
- Off street parking
- Shed & Summer house

BOURNEMOUTH PARK ROAD, SOUTHEND £850 PCM

FAMILY HOME



- Semi detached house
- Three bedrooms
- Lounge
- Separate dining room
- Gas central heating
- Kitchen with new units
- Double glazing
- Gardens to front & rear
- Bathroom & Separate wc
- Garage & parking

LONDON ROAD, LEIGH £650 PCM

OWN GARDEN



- Ground floor flat
- Two large bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Newly refurbished throughout
- Own garden to front, side & rear
- Double glazing

LEIGH ON SEA £650 PCM

CLOSE TO BROADWAY



- Ground floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge
- Rear garden
- Good decorative order
- Gas central heating

TEMPLEWOOD COURT, HADLEIGH £600 PCM

REDUCED



- Second floor maisonette
- Two large bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Kitchen with new units
- Double glazing
- New bathrooms suite

SUTTON COURT DRIVE, ROCHFORD £650 PCM

OWN GARDEN



- Ground floor flat
- Two large bedrooms
- Bathroom/WC
- Kitchen with fitted units
- Rear garden
- Night storage heating

STOCK PARK CRT, EASTWOOD £625 PCM

CLOSE TO PARK



- First floor flat
- Purpose built block
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Good decorative order
- Garage in block

ST LAWRENCE COURT, EASTWOOD £620 PCM

GARAGE



- First floor flat
- Purpose built
- Gas central heating
- Garage
- Spacious lounge
- Fitted kitchen

BURGES COURT, THORPE BAY £500 PCM

RETIREMENT FLAT



- First floor flat
- Parking at rear
- Night storage heating
- Kitchen with oven & hob
- Guest suite available
- Communal laundry

NORTH AVENUE, SOUTHEND £550 PCM

LOFT ROOM



- First floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Large loft/WC with shower
- Kitchen with new units
- Some double glazing

PARK LANE, SOUTHEND £850 PCM

FOUR BEDROOM



- Semi detached house
- Four bedrooms
- Lounge
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Separate dining room
- Newly refurbished
- Parking space

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DEREK GARDENS, PRITTLEWELL £500 PCM

GOOD ORDER



- Semi detached house
- Two bedrooms
- Newly refurbished
- Gas central heating
- Newly carpeted
- Gardens to front & rear
- Popular location
- Close to shops

RYLANDS ROAD, SOUTHEND £495 PCM

OWN GARDEN



- First floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Carpets
- Fitted kitchen
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Rear garden
- Close to amenities

SOUTHBORNE GROVE, WESTCLIFF £550 PCM

REAR GARDEN



- First floor flat
- Two large bedrooms
- Close to Chalkwell Park
- Gas central heating
- Good decorative order
- Shared garden
- Popular location
- Spacious lounge

MAPLE COURT, SHOEBOURNESS £500 PCM

DOUBLE GLAZING



- Second Floor Flat
- Two bedrooms
- Parking area
- Newly decorated throughout
- Double glazing
- Night storage heating

OAKENGRANGE DRIVE, SOUTHEND £550 PCM

REAR GARDEN



- First floor flat
- Two large bedrooms
- Night storage heating
- Close to local amenities
- Rear garden
- Spacious lounge
- Good decorative order
- Popular location

WARRIOR SQUARE, SOUTHEND £550 PCM

CLOSE TO TOWN



- Second floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Bathroom/WC
- Entry phone system
- Good decorative order

SURBITON ROAD, SOUTHEND £475 PCM

TWO BEDROOMS



- First floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Bathroom with WC
- Section rear garden
- Close to local amenities

MALDON ROAD, SOUTHEND £475 PCM

CLOSE TO TOWN CENTRE



- First floor flat
- Two large bedrooms
- Rear garden
- Gas central heating
- Lounge with fitted fire
- Fitted kitchen

VICTORIA AVENUE, SOUTHEND £425 PCM

PARKING SPACES



- First floor flat
- Studio
- Night storage heating
- Good decorative order
- Parking at rear
- Close to town centre
- Modern white bathroom suite

HASTINGS ROAD, SOUTHEND £450 PCM

ONE BEDROOM



- First floor flat
- Purpose built
- Car parking space
- Good decorative order
- Spacious lounge
- Kitchen with oven & hob

HILLBOROUGH ROAD, WESTCLIFF £475 PCM

CLOSE TO HOSPITAL



- Second floor flat
- One large bedroom
- Good decorative order
- Modern kitchen
- Popular location
- Gas central heating
- Bathroom/WC
- Close to Hospital

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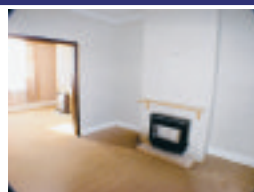
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2 BED END OF TERRACE, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £127,500
End of terrace, two bedroom property, with a through lounge/diner, kitchen, bathroom, courtyard garden, close to transport links and is only a short distance from Southend High Street. The property also benefits from having no onward chain.



4 BEDROOMS, THREE RECEPTIONS, W.O.S. £189,999
Versatile four bedroom, three reception family home, with bathroom and shower room, sold with the advantage of No onward Chain. The property also benefits from being close to local shops and transport links. An early viewing is advised to appreciate the accommodation on offer.



INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY 2 BED, W.O.S. £109,000

Two bedroom purpose built apartment, with balcony from lounge, an investment opportunity in need of some modernisation, located on the London Road with good access to local amenities and transport links, the property benefits from no onward chain, early viewing is advised, call today for an appointment, keys held.



DETACHED BUNGALOW, CANVEY ISLAND £134,995

Griffin are pleased to offer for sale this detached larger than average one bedroom bungalow situated in the popular Leigh Beck area of Canvey Island. The property benefits from one double bedroom, utility room, double glazing, good size entrance hall and ample off street parking. We recommend an early inspection of the property to appreciate the size on offer.



NO ONWARD CHAIN. 2 BEDS. SOUTHEND ON SEA £109,999

Refurbished two bedroom ground floor flat with lounge, separate kitchen, bathroom, study area with door leading to own garden, convenient location to seafront, with Southend-on-Sea High Street and mainline railway station within close proximity. The property is being sold with no onward chain.



IMMACULATE 3BED FAMILY HOME, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £174,999

Immaculately presented three bedroom family home, situated in a sought after location, the property benefits from two reception rooms, fitted kitchen, bathroom and well maintained garden, viewing is highly recommended to appreciate the accommodation on offer.



SUPPERB DETACHED BUNGALOW. HOCKLEY. P.O.A.

Immaculate Pullen and Hunt built Chalet Bungalow offering spacious accommodation comprising of four bedrooms, two reception rooms, first floor bathroom, downstairs en-suite, kitchen/diner, south backing garden, double width garage with off street parking for numerous cars.



CLOSE TO LOCAL AMENITIES, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £124,999

Well presented two bedroom first floor apartment located within close proximity to Southend-on-Sea shopping centre and main line station. The property benefits from fitted kitchen, gas central heating and is nicely decorated throughout. Viewing is highly advised.



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SOUTHEND: Heygate Avenue, Unfurnished, one bedroom, first floor flat, newly refurbished **£425 pcm**
SOUTHEND: Gordon Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom, first floor flat, available now **£450 pcm**
SOUTHEND: York Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom, ground floor flat, newly decorated, available now **£450 pcm**
HADLEIGH: London Road, First floor one bedroom flat, housing benefit considered **£465 pcm**
SOUTHEND: York Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom flat, available now **£475 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Beresford Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom, top floor flat, available now **£475 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Station Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom first floor flat, available now **£475 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Hamlet Court Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom first floor flat, close to local shops, available now **£475 pcm**
SOUTHEND: Wimbourne Road, Unfurnished one bedroom ground floor flat, gas central heating, available now **£480 pcm**
SOUTHEND: Southchurch Avenue, Unfurnished, one bedroom, first floor flat, available 8/7 **£495 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Carlton Avenue, Unfurnished, one bedroom, first floor flat, newly refurbished, communal garden, available now **£500 pcm**

WESTCLIFF: Ceylon Road, Unfurnished, one bedroom, first floor flat, available now, fully refurbished **£500 pcm**
Pitsea: Chestnut Road, Unfurnished one bedroom, second floor flat, modern development, ideal location. Available now **£500 pcm**

TWO BEDROOMS

SOUTHEND: Chiltern Flats, Unfurnished two bedroom 12th floor apartment, newly refurbished, available now **£500 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Hamlet Court Road, Two bedroom, first floor flat, gas central heating, double glazed, close to local shops, housing benefit considered **£525 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Preston Road, Unfurnished, two bedroom, first floor maisonette, sought after location, available now **£550 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: San Remo Parade, Unfurnished, two bedroom first floor flat, gas central heating, refurbished **£550 pcm**
SOUTHEND: Wesley Road, Unfurnished, first floor flat, available now, double glazing, gas central heating **£575 pcm REDUCED**
WESTCLIFF: Fleetwood Avenue, Two bedroom, maisonette, gas central heating, double glazing **£575 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Park Road, Unfurnished, two bedroom, first floor flat, off street parking, double glazing **£575 pcm**
LEIGH: London Road, Unfurnished, two bedroom, first floor flat, available 22/6 **£600 pcm**
WESTCLIFF: Lydford Road, Unfurnished, first floor flat, available now **£600 pcm**

WESTCLIFF: Claremont Avenue, Unfurnished, two bedroom, first floor flat, available now, early viewing advised **£600 pcm**

WESTCLIFF: Electric Avenue, Unfurnished, two bedroom maisonette, garden, double bedrooms **£650 pcm**

SOUTHCHURCH: Ambleside Drive, Unfurnished, two bedroom, ground floor flat, spacious, own rear garden, off street parking **£695 pcm**

SOUTHCHURCH: Ambleside Drive, Unfurnished, two bedroom, first floor flat, own rear garden, off street parking **£695 pcm**

WESTCLIFF: Regents Court, Unfurnished, two bedroom, 3rd floor apartment, sea views, available now **£695 pcm**

THREE BEDROOMS

SOUTHEND: Riviera Drive, Unfurnished, first floor flat, newly refurbished, garden, available now **£650 pcm**

SOUTHEND: Victoria Road, Unfurnished, first floor flat, available now, newly decorated, gas central heating **£650 pcm**

CANVEY ISLAND: High Street, NEW INSTRUCTION, Three bedroom flat, available to view now **£750 pcm**

WESTCLIFF: Hamlet Court Road, Three bedroom maisonette, available now **£800 pcm**

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LARGE DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE CLOSE TO STATION, WESTCLIFF £419,995

1920'S BUILT DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE IDEAL FOR STATION, BEACH AND HAMLET COURT ROAD SHOPS, FOUR BEDROOMS, EN SUITE TO MASTER BEDROOM, FOUR SPACIOUS RECEPTION ROOMS COMPRISING, LARGE LOUNGE, SEPARATE FAMILY ROOM, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, SEPARATE STUDY. CLOAKS/W.C., 19'6 X 10'8 EXTENSIVELY FITTED KITCHEN, LARGE LUXURY FAMILY BATHROOM, BALCONY WITH SIDEWAYS ESTUARY VIEW, LOVELY GARDENS REF ETL 4680



DETACHED FAMILY HOME CLOSE TO LEIGH BROADWAY £369,990

VERY PRETTY WEST FACING GARDEN, GARAGE AND PRIVATE DRIVE, 15' X 14' LOUNGE, 16'1 X 14'5 DINING ROOM, 11' X 11' KITCHEN, 18'7' CONSERVATORY, CLOAKS/ W.C., THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, BATHROOM AND SEPARATE DINING ROOM, LOTS OF CHARM AND CHARACTER RETAINED DESPITE HAVING BEEN REFURBISHED OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS, GREAT LOCATION FOR THE BROADWAY AND STATION REF ETL4683



WESTLEIGH SCHOOLS C/A, LEIGH £269,995

INTERNAL VIEWING ESSENTIAL OF THIS LARGE THREE BEDROOM FAMILY HOUSE WITH LOVELY GARDEN AND OFF STREET PARKING. WALKING DISTANCE OF BROADWAY AND STATION, SUPERB ACCOMODATION, SPACIOUS LOUNGE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, 15'2 X 15'2 L'SHAPED SITTING ROOM/ BREAKFAST ROOM, 10' x 9' LUXURY FITTED KITCHEN, LUXURY GROUND FLOOR CLOAKS/ SHOWER ROOM, FULLY TILED 4 PIECE BATHROOM, D/GLAZING



WESTCLIFF £242,995

CHARMING AND SURPRISINGLY SPACIOUS DETACHED COTTAGE STYLE FAMILY HOME JUST OVER A MILE FROM BOTH WESTCLIFF AND CHALKWELL STATIONS, IMPRESSIVE 42' ROAD FRONTAGE, SECLUDED, WELL STOCKED GOOD SIZE REAR GARDEN, THREE BEDROOMS, SUPERB 23' X 13' LOUNGE WITH FEATURE FIREPLACE, 15'2 X 11'2 DINING ROOM, FITTED KITCHEN, LUXURY BATHROOM, CLOAKS/W.C., GARAGE, MUST BE VIEWED!



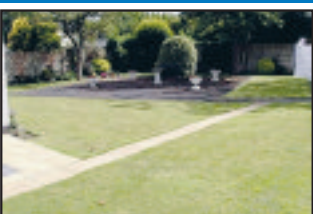
FOUR BEDROOM HOUSE, WICK ESTATE, SOUTHCHURCH £199,995

VACANT FOUR BEDROOM HOUSE REQUIRING SOME IMPROVEMENT AND PRICED ACCORDINGLY. KEYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING, 80' APPROX REAR GARDEN BACKING SCHOOL PLAYING FIELDS, GARAGE, LOUNGE, 23' X 18' L SHAPED KITCHEN, DINING AREA AND SITTING ROOM, CLOAKS/ W.C., SPACIOUS UTILITY ROOM, BATHROOM AND SEPARATE DINING ROOM



LUXURIOUSLY REFURBISHED 4 BEDROOM CHALET/ BUNGALOW, HADLEIGH £275,000

SOUGHT AFTER CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION, FOUR BEDROOMS, LUXURY BATHROOM AND SEPARATE SHOWER ROOM, 25' X 14'7 LOUNGE/ DINER, NEW LUXURY KITCHEN- OPEN PLAN BREAKFAST ROOM, LOVELY WEST FACING GARDEN WITH FEATURE ILLUMINATED DECKING, GARAGE, NEW CARPETS, KEYS AVAILABLE AT THIS OFFICE REF ETL 4688



GROUND FLOOR FLAT, LEIGH £155,000

BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED, VIEWING ESSENTIAL, D/GLAZING, GARAGE AND PARKING, LOVELY COMMUNAL GARDENS, 16'9 X 15'10 LOUNGE, 13'9 X 10'9 LUXURY FITTED KITCHEN, DOUBLE BEDROOM, LUXURY BATHROOM, ETL4687



SOUGHT AFTER TREE-LINED ROAD, SOUTHEND £304,995

EXCEPTIONAL DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE WALKING DISTANCE OF TOWN CENTRE AND STATIONS, CLOAKS/W.C., ELEGANT LOUNGE WITH FEATURE FIREPLACE, STUNNING 20'5 X 16'1 CUSTOM BUILT LUXURY KITCHEN AND DINING ROOM, SUPERB 19'2 X 13'7 CONSERVATORY, FOUR LARGE BEDROOMS INCLUDING 16'2 X 9'6 FOURTH BEDROOM ON THE GROUND FLOOR, LARGE LUXURY BATHROOM WITH VICTORIAN STYLE BATH, LOVELY ESTABLISHED 66' REAR GARDEN, LOTS OF PARKING.

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* ATTRACTIVE THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE ON POPULAR MANNERS WAY ESTATE * Lounge * Dining room * Kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Garden * Double glazing * Gas central heating * Off street parking * Ref: ETS4094



NEW BUILD

Southend-on-Sea £234,995

* RARE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE BRAND NEW THREE BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW - currently under construction * Lounge/dining room * Kitchen * Master bedroom with en suite * Bathroom/wc * Garden * Off street parking * Plans at office for inspection * Ref: ETS4099



IDEAL
FIRST BUY

Westcliff-on-Sea £119,995

* CONVENIENT FOR HAMLET COURT ROAD * Well maintained two bedroom ground floor flat * Lounge * Fitted kitchen * Spacious bathroom/wc * Double glazing * Gas central heating * Direct access to own garden * No onward chain * Ref: ETS3975



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GREAT
FAMILY HOME

Southview Drive, Westcliff-on-Sea, £214,995

* VASTLY IMPROVED FAMILY HOME * Four bedrooms * Lounge * Spacious fully fitted kitchen/Diner * Bathroom/wc * Garden * Gas central heating * Many original features * Double glazed * No onward chain * Ref: ETS4105



CLOSE TO
PRIORITY PARK

Prittlewell £189,995

* ATTRACTIVE & EXTREMELY WELL PRESENTED * Three bedroom semi detached house convenient to Prittlewell Station * Lounge * Dining room * Conservatory * Kitchen * Bathroom & separate wc * Garden * Off street parking * Double glazing * Gas central heating * Ref: ETS3800



Westcliff-on-Sea £169,995

* INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED * ATTRACTIVE, TASTEFULLY DECORATED THREE BEDROOM END TERRACE HOUSE * Lounge * Dining room * Kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Many original period features * Double glazed windows * Gas central heating * Garden * Ref: ETS4108



CLOSE TO
STATION

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £325 pcm

* WITHIN CLOSE PROXIMITY OF SOUTHEND EAST STATION * One double bedroom * Lounge * Kitchen * South facing balcony area * Electric heating * Ref: R886



EXCELLENT
VALUE

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £350 pcm

* EXCELLENT VALUE - GOOD LOCATION CLOSE TO SOUTHEND TOWN CENTRE & STATIONS * One bedroom ground floor flat * Lounge * Fitted kitchen * Gas central heating * Off street parking for one car * Ref: R893



CLOSE TO
TOWN CENTRE

SOUTHEND ON SEA £475 pcm

* EXCELLENT LOCATION FOR TOWN CENTRE & MAINLINE STATIONS * One bedroom * Lounge * Kitchen * Bathroom * Double glazing * Gas central heating * Section of own garden * Ref: R1456



BEING
REFURBISHED

PRITTLEWELL £495 pcm

* ON SOUGHT AFTER MANNERS WAY ESTATE * One bedroom * Lounge * Kitchen * Bathroom * Garden * Ref R970



SPACIOUS
APARTMENT

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £550 pcm

* EXCELLENT LOCATION FOR TOWN, RAILWAYS, PRIORITY PARK & LOCAL BUS ROUTES * Two bedrooms * Lounge * Kitchen * Bathroom * Allocated Parking * Fitted carpets * Night storage heating * Ref R629



WELL
PRESENTED
PURPOSE BUILT

SOUTHEND ON SEA £575 pcm

CLOSE TO LOCAL AMENITIES * Lounge * One double bedroom & one large single bedroom * Modern bathroom * Contemporary style kitchen * Resident parking * Entry phone * Unfurnished * Ref R1416



SPACIOUS
ACCOMMODATION

WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA £595 pcm

* CLOSE TO HAMLET COURT ROAD - OFFERS SPACIOUS ACCOMMODATION * Two bedroom ground floor flat * Lounge * Fitted kitchen * Shower room * Own section of garden * Gas central heating * Unfurnished * Ref: R703



RECENTLY
REFURBISHED

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £675 pcm

* CLOSE TO CIVIC CENTRE, MAINLINE STATIONS & PRIORITY PARK * Three bedroom terrace house * Lounge * Dining room * Kitchen * New Bathroom * Gas central heating * Double glazing * New carpets * Garden * Ref R206



GOOD
VALUE
FAMILY HOME

WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA £725 pcm

VERY SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOM TERRACED HOUSE * Two reception rooms * GF shower room/wc * Family bathroom * Mostly double glazed * Gas central heating * Garden * Ref: R1274



FULLY
REFURBISHED

RAYLEIGH £850 pcm

* FULLY REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE CLOSE TO RAYLEIGH STATION * Lounge * Dining room * Newly fitted kitchen * Newly fitted bathroom * New carpets * Gas central heating * Off street parking * Ref: R1595

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HOCKLEY £214,995

A character 3 bedroom semi detached house in a sought after location close to station, shops and schools. The property offers excellent scope to be extended to the side and rear providing additional family accommodation, subject to planning permission. No onward chain. EWH3074

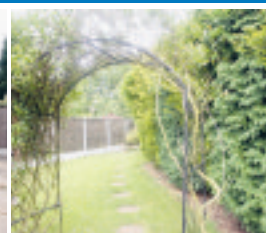
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HOCKLEY £164,995

A two bedroom semi-detached bungalow in an excellent location very close to shops, schools and station. The property has the benefit of off-street parking and rear and side gardens. Viewing advised. EWH3370

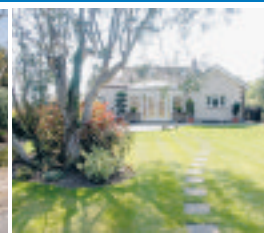
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EAST END PAGLESHAM £430,000

We are delighted to offer for sale this stunning three bedroom detached chalet situated in the rural location of the village of Paglesham. The property has panoramic views of surrounding countryside and farmland within a quarter of a mile of this historic village and half mile of river, award winning pub and boatyard. The property has been refurbished to a high specification and must be viewed to appreciate this beautiful home. The property was built in 1925 and the accommodation includes three bedrooms, two en-suites, large lounge, separate utility room, double glazed conservatory and a rear garden measuring 145ft deep. We understand it is possible to rent a further piece of garden measuring approximately 130ft.

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HOCKLEY £249,995

Jasmine Court combines the practicality and high specification you expect with a modern property, mixed with a mature and established rural setting. This exclusive development offers two spacious semi-detached and four luxurious detached bungalows.

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ROCHFORD £219,950

An immaculate and spacious three double bedroom family home with two receptions, ground floor cloakroom and en-suite to master bedroom. We are selling this property on behalf of a corporate client who offer various incentives, subject to relevant approval, including stamp duty paid, cash back on completion and 5% deposit paid. EWH3367

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HAWKWEEL £365,000

A four bedroom detached family home presented in immaculate condition throughout with two receptions and a modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room which overlooks the established 60ft rear garden backing onto fields. The property benefits from being set back 60ft from the road providing plenty of off-street parking and is close to all local amenities. Viewing advised. EWH3366

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HOCKLEY £175,000

Situated on the ever popular Betts Farm Development within walking distance of the village shops, schools and railway station is this immaculate two bedroom family home. The property is double glazed, has gas central heating and a double glazed conservatory. EWH3330

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HOCKLEY £290,000

Situated within easy walking distance of village shops and station is this immaculate 2/3 bedroom detached bungalow. The property has a kitchen/breakfast room measuring 16'6" x 10'7", a double glazed conservatory, is double glazed and has an established rear garden measuring approx 80ft. EWH3268

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HOCKLEY £285,000

Presented in immaculate condition throughout is this versatile three/four bedroom semi-detached chalet bungalow that has plenty of off-street parking, a 53ft rear garden and being close to local shops, schools and station. Viewing advised. ewh3369

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HOCKLEY £395,000

Immaculate extended 4 bed det family home. Lounge, playroom/study, sitting room, dining room, luxury kit/breakfast room. D/glazed. Easy walking distance shops/station. 117ft rear garden. Approved planning permission for a fifth bedroom master suite. EWH3015

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SOUTH FAMBRIDGE £425,000

Built in 1997 to the current owner's high specification is this immaculate three bedroom detached cottage style property set within a peaceful semi-rural location with outstanding views to the front over surrounding countryside. The property benefits from a feature gallery landing and has three good sized reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, double glazed conservatory and a cottage style walled garden. Viewing strongly advised. EWH2781

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HULLBRIDGE £1,450 pcm

FIVE BED HOUSE. KITCHEN AND UTILITY ROOM WITH WHITE GOODS. INCLUDES GARDENER. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. EMPLOYED TENANTS ONLY. NO PETS



EASTWOOD £1,100 pcm

LIGHT AND SPACIOUS 3/4 BED DETACHED HOUSE FITTED TO A HIGH STANDARD THROUGHOUT AND AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. NO PETS AND NON SMOKERS ONLY.



HOCKLEY £1,000 pcm

UNFURNISHED 4 BED HOUSE WITH GARAGE IN QUIET CLOSE. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. EMPLOYED TENANTS AND NON SMOKERS ONLY.



ASHINGDON £875 pcm

THREE BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. EMPLOYED TENANTS ONLY. PETS CONSIDERED.



ASHINGDON £850 pcm

AN UNFURNISHED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED CHALET WITH GARAGE. LOCATED CLOSE TO SHOPS. AVAILABLE EARLY AUGUST.



ROCHFORD £825 pcm

REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM SEMI-DETACHED CHALET. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY



SOUTHEND £795 pcm

THREE BED HOUSE WITH MODERN KITCHEN & BATHROOM. CONVENIENT FOR SHOPS & STATION. AVAILABLE EARLY JULY. EMPLOYED TENANTS ONLY. NO PETS.



HOCKLEY £700 pcm

TWO BED SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW. SECLUDED POSITION. CLOSE TO SHOPS AND STATION. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.



ROCHFORD £650

TWO BED FIRST FLOOR FLAT. CLOSE TO SHOPS & STATION. NO PETS, NON SMOKERS & EMPLOYED TENANTS ONLY. PARKING. AVAILABLE END OF JUNE



ROCHFORD £650 pcm

REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT. CLOSE TO STATION. AVAILABLE EARLY JULY.



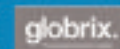
HOCKLEY £625 pcm

TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT. GARAGE AND PARKING. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY. EMPLOYED TENANTS, NO PETS, NO SMOKERS

SOUTHEND £50 pcm

LOCK UP GARAGE IN SOUTHCHURCH AVENUE. LOCATED BEHIND SECURE BARRIER. AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY

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LETTINGS

**Wickford £1,500 pcm**

Executive four bedroom detached house offering three large reception rooms, en-suite to master, conservatory & double garage. This property has been well maintained throughout benefiting from a large well established rear garden. Situated within a very sought after location overlooking River Crouch & Green Belt farmland.

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**Rayleigh £825 pcm**

Three bedroom semi detached chalet situated within a very sought after Daws Heath location. This property offers spacious accommodation, modern bathroom suite & off street parking. Viewings essential.

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LETTINGS

**Chalkwell £550 pcm**

Two bedroom second floor flat apartment with open plan accommodation & communal garden. Situated just yards from chalkwell seafront & walking distance to train station.

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LETTINGS

**Rayleigh £900 pcm**

An exceptionally well presented two bedroom bungalow standing upon a good size plot within easy distance of Rayleigh shops and Station. The property is available from June.

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LETTINGS

**Thundersley £695 pcm**

Luxury two bedroom top floor apartment, situated within this exclusive development adjacent to Virgin sports centre offering views overlooking local woodland. This apartment offers spacious & modern living accommodation, allocated parking & security entry gates. Internal viewings strongly recommended. Available immediately.

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LETTINGS

**Leigh-on-Sea £800 pcm**

Attractive three semi detached bungalow situated within an extremely sought after location within easy access to Belfairs woods. This bungalow offers good sized accommodation, off street parking & good sized rear garden. Available immediately.

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**Thundersley £725 pcm**

Luxury two bedroom first floor apartment situated within this exclusive development enjoying adjacent to Virgin Leisure Centre. This property offers en-suite to master, Juliet style balcony & electric entry gates leading to private parking. Available immediately.

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LETTINGS

**Rayleigh £700 pcm**

Contemporary & luxurious two bedroom first floor apartment situated within this sought after development adjacent to Rayleigh train station. This apartment has been designed to a very high standard offering a wealth of high end fittings, secure entry gates, video entry phone system & allocated parking.

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**Westcliff-on-Sea £625 pcm**

Spacious two bedroom ground floor flat with own courtyard style rear garden. This property offers spacious accommodation & situated within a convenient location. Viewings essential.

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LETTINGS

**THUNDERSLEY £650 pcm**

Delightful two bedroom first floor apartment positioned within easy distance of local shops. The property has been maintained in very good condition to include modern kitchen and bathroom suites. To the rear of the property is a communal garden.

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**BENFLEET £850 pcm**

Two bedroom semi detached bungalow that has been extended to provide really spacious living space with additional benefit of large rear garden. The property is positioned within easy distance of the High Road shops and Benfleet Train Station.

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**THUNDERSLEY £675 pcm**

A great opportunity to rent this very spacious two bedroom flat positioned close to local shops and local woodland. The property has been extensively refurbished to include a new kitchen with integrated appliances and new bathroom. Keys are held for an immediate appointment to view.

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Hadleigh £425,000

Attractive Character Three Bed Detached Family Home - Extremely Sought After Location - South Backing Garden - Large Lounge - Separate Dining Room - Farm House Style Fitted Kitchen With Dishwasher And Fridge To Remain - Conservatory - Utility Room - Cloakroom - Three Double Bedrooms - Master With Ensuite Shower Room - Potential For Shower Room To Second Bedroom - Three Piece Bathroom Suite With Jacuzzi Bath - Few Minutes Walk Of West Woods & Westwood Primary School - King John School Catchment - Easy Access Of Town Centre - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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Daws Heath £260,000

Two Bed Semi Detached Bungalow - Extremely Sought After Daws Heath Location - Immaculate Throughout - Off Street Parking Approached Via Double Wrought Iron Gates - Lounge With Feature Inset Fireplace - Luxury Fitted Kitchen In A Range Of High Gloss Units - Four Piece Shower Room - Large West Backing Landscaped Rear Garden - Mainly Double Glazed - Gas Central Heating - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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Hadleigh £187,500

Attractive Two/Three Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow - Extremely Sought After Cul De Sac Location - Easy Access Of Hadleigh Town Centre - Easy Access Of Hadleigh Castle - Mainly Double Glazed - South Backing Garden - Potential For Garage To Rear - Vacant Possession - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised - Keys Held For Accompanied Viewings

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Thundersley £211,500

3 Bed Semi Detached Bungalow - Good sized lounge and kitchen - Bathroom & Separate W.C. - Mainly Double Glazed - Gas Boiler & Radiators - Sought After Cul De Sac Location - Garage & Further Off Street Parking - Large West Backing Rear Garden - Convenient Location - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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Leigh-on-Sea £197,000

Two Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow - Mainly UPVC Double Glazed - Gas Central Heating - Good Sized Lounge - Conservatory - Two Bedrooms - Bathroom - Separate w.c. - Convenient Cul De Sac Location - Easy Access Of Byfords Convenience Store And Local Shops - Easy Access Of Belfairs Woods and A127 Trunk Road - Sole Agents - Viewing Advised

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RAYLEIGH £257,500

- Impressive three bedroom link detached house - Quiet position upon sought after development - Beautifully presented - Close to station, shops & schools - Replacement kitchen/diner and bathroom suites - Ground floor cloakroom - Landscaped rear garden - Garage and parking - Ref: Eay0976

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HULLBRIDGE £235,000

- Two bedroom semi detached bungalow - Bold corner position - Quaint Hullbridge village location with leisure facilities & riverside walks - Spacious modern decor - Offered for sale with no onward chain - Double glazing - Garage - Ref: Eay0977

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RAYLEIGH £225,000

- Three bedroom semi detached house - Older style property - Sought after Grove wood & Fitzwimarc catchment area - Spacious living accommodation - Lounge - Dining area - Kitchen - Utility room - 120ft approx rear garden - Garage and off street parking - Ref: Eay0984

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RAYLEIGH £215,000

- Three bedroom semi detached house - Cul-de-sac position close to Fitzwimarc and Grove Wood school - Lounge/diner - Kitchen - Ground floor cloakroom - Bathroom and first floor cloakroom - Part integral garage - Close to town - Double glazing - Early viewing a must - Ref: Eay0983

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WICKFORD £249,995

- Two bedroom detached bungalow - Large 100ft approx rear garden - Workshop - Lounge - Modern kitchen - En-suite bathroom to master bedroom - Separate shower room - Double glazing - Off street parking for numerous vehicles to the front -

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& company**LEIGH ON SEA £369,995**

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**LEIGH ON SEA £369,995**

Viewing is essential to appreciate the quality of this four bedroom detached house, situated in this extremely desirable location and having a 275' rear garden, detached outbuilding and modern decoration throughout. Must be viewed. ehl1371

**LEIGH ON SEA £350,000**

A superb, fully refurbished, three/four bedroom semi-detached house, situated on the sought after Marine Estate, with the added advantage of garage, off street parking and 60' south backing garden, close to broadway and mainline station. ehl1368

**LEIGH ON SEA £215,000**

Having undergone many improvements is this west backing two bedroom cottage situated close to broadway facilities and mainline station. Internal inspection essential, rare opportunity. ehl1361

**LEIGH ON SEA £389,995**

South of the Leigh broadway, a refurbished three bedroom Victorian house with the unusual benefit of large 'L' shaped rear garden, together with modern decor throughout, ideally situated for mainline station and broadway facilities. ehl1355

**LEIGH ON SEA £169,995**

With its own garden, a two double bedroom ground floor purpose built flat situated within close proximity to mainline station and broadway which has been improved throughout to a high standard ehl1344

**LEIGH ON SEA £122,500**

Situated in this popular location, a spacious two bedroom ground floor flat benefitting from modern decor, double glazing together with allocated and visitors parking facilities. ehl1340

**LEIGH ON SEA £349,995**

Situated south of the A13 and therefore within walking distance to broadway shopping facilities and mainline station, a substantial four bedroom detached property with much charm and character together with garage and off street parking. ehl1307

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WICK DEVELOPMENT £249,995

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SOUTHEND £229,995

HUGE HOUSE.... 4/5 bedroom semi on bold west backing corner plot close station, shops etc. 27'0 lounge/diner and spacious breakfast room. Double glazing, garage. Lots of potential. Ref: ebe2482



Reduced

SOUTHEND £214,995

GORGEOUS VIEWS OVER PARK.... Deceptively spacious extended 4 bedroom 3 reception house directly backing Southchurch Hall Park. Bath and shower rooms, off street parking, gas central heating, off street parking, close to station etc. Just reduced Ref: ebe2232



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SOUTHEND £176,995

SUPER IN SWANAGE ROAD.... Spacious and much improved 3 bedroom family house backing south via 85' (Approx) garden. Recently fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower cubicle, double glazing, gas c/h, off road parking. Exceptional. Just reduced. Ref: ebe2474



Reduced

SOUTHCHURCH VILLAGE £149,995

VALUE FOR MONEY.... Much improved two double bedroom, two reception house close to shops, station etc. Modern fitted kitchen and bathroom, double glazing, gas central heating, well presented, just reduced. Ref: ebe2331



New Listing

SOUTHEND £139,995

COSY COTTAGE STYLE.... Two bedroom house very close to town centre and rail stations etc. excellent first purchase or buy to let investment. Must be viewed. Ref: ebe2487

**SOUTHEND £134,995**

TERRIFIC VALUE TERRACED.... Double glazed three bedroom family house of good size. Sun lounge, ground floor cloaks/wc, gas central heating. Close to shops and schools. No onward chain. Early viewing advised. Ref: ebe2412



New Listing

SOUTHCHURCH VILLAGE £118,500

TWO FOR U.... ground floor two bedroom flat in popular Southchurch Village close to shops and station. Double glazing, gas central heating, own section of garden, no onward chain. Ref: ebe2488

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- BATH/SHOWER ROOM
- OFF STREET PARKING
- REF: ESH1258

Hockley £185,000



- Spacious Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms
- Gas Heating
- 80' Rear Garden
- Off-street parking
- No Onward Chain
- REF: ESH1286

Rochford £179,950



- 3 double bedrooms
- 2 reception rooms
- Bathroom/WC
- Kitchen
- Garage with own driveway
- Needs some modernisation
- REF: ESH1290

Hockley £189,950



- Extended accommodation
- 2 reception rooms
- 2 bedrooms
- Kitchen
- Gas heating
- Bathroom/WC
- 65' rear garden
- No onward chain
- REF: ESH1253

Ashingdon £169,950



- Immaculate condition
- Lounge/Diner
- 3 Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom with white suite
- Approx 100' Garden
- Detached Garage
- Potential to convert loft.
- REF: ESH1289

Ashingdon £239,950



- Detached Bungalow with 2 good size bedrooms
- Spacious Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Gas heating
- Bathroom/Separate w.c.
- Attached garage
- Secluded garden
- No onward chain REF: ESH1291

Hockley £349,950



- Exceptionally spacious
- 4 large bedrooms
- En-suite shower
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Gas heating
- Greensward College catchment
- Close village centre.
- REF: ESH1229

Hockley £325,000



- Large 5 bed family house
- 2 reception rooms
- Fitted kitchen
- En suite shower room
- White bathroom suite
- Gas heating
- Secluded garden
- Close amenities
- REF: ESH1278

Hockley £299,995



- IMMACULATE DECORATIVE ORDER
- 3/4 BEDROOMS
- SUPERB THROUGH LOUNGE/DINER
- LUXURY FITTED KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM
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Rochford £415,000



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- * GARAGE



RAYLEIGH £215,000

- * DETACHED HOUSE
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- * DINING ROOM
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- * APPROX 50FT GARDEN



THUNDERSLEY

- * 3 BEDROOMS
- * LOUNGE/DINER
- * DOUBLE GLAZED
- * NO ONWARD CHAIN
- * CLOSE TO VILLAGE



THUNDERSLEY £224,995

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- * Bathroom/wc



THUNDERSLEY £455,000

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Q. There seems to be a lot of conflicting news coming out at the moment about the state of the housing market. What's really going on?

A. You're right. Whereas throughout last year the picture painted in the media was one of unrelieved gloom, these days the news is a lot more mixed. In just the past few weeks, we've had woeful tales of negative equity (courtesy of the Land Registry) appearing almost side by side with upbeat reports about growing buyer activity, increasing sales and rising prices (from the Halifax and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors). Recently, the national press have even been getting excited about the apparent return of gazumping in some areas!

So, where does that leave us?

Well, prices and confidence have certainly both taken a battering over the past year-18 months, and many in the industry are of the view that this process may still have some way to go. There's also no denying that things are still very tough for aspiring first time buyers looking for a high loan-to-value mortgage deal.

Nevertheless...the very fact that we are now seeing so much good news starting to appear gives credence to the view that the worst may be over - or at least, that the market is close to bottoming out. Anecdotal evidence from around the country that canny investment buyers are returning to the market lends further weight to that assessment.

Of course, that's not to say that we're out of the woods yet. It's going to be a while before we see a return to anything like the market that existed in the first half-dozen years of the century.

And in the end, perhaps that's no bad thing. After all, most sensible commentators agree that the last thing the property market needs right now is another round of boom and bust. What is needed is a good, stable market where supply and demand are more or less evenly balanced, with price rises that are sensible and sustainable - if unspectacular. Rollercoaster rides may be exciting, but they belong in the fairground!



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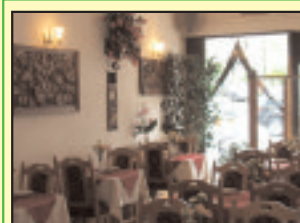
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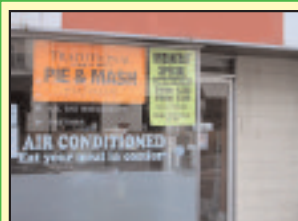
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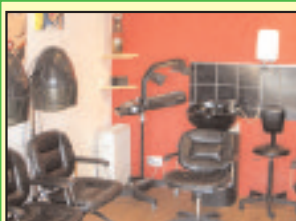
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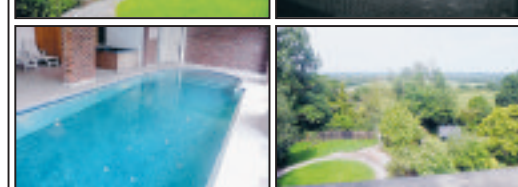
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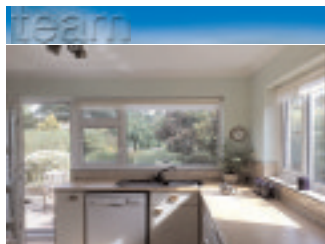
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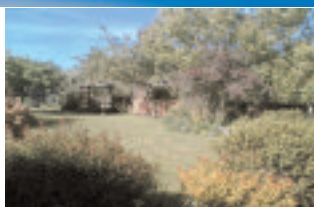
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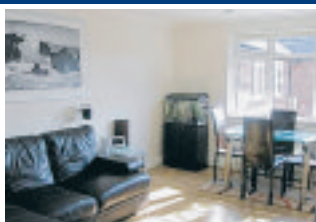


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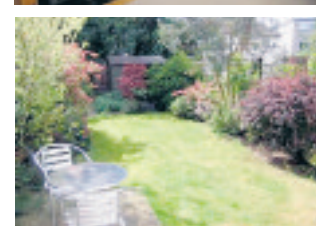


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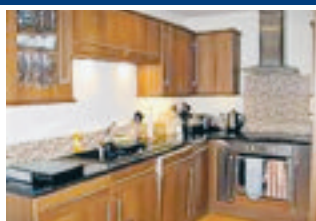
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He added: obviously a very attractive place to live but there are added pressures on housing availability created by the towns vibrant economy and university.

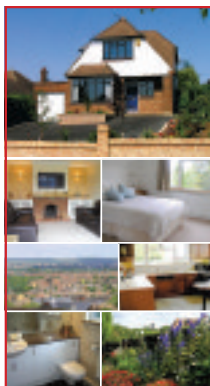
“The demand for rented properties is insatiable in Southend and surrounding areas and we really need potential landlords to come forward to help us meet it.” The most sought after homes are one, two three and four bedroom unfurnished properties with parking and/or garage.

Key locations included near schools, stations and hospital. He said the majority of applicants were for those areas. And he reminded those looking to invest in rented property to speak to a letting agent first – even before a legal or financial adviser.

“All too often, the investor will buy the wrong type of property. A letting agent will advise on what’s best to purchase in a particular area and what will provide the best yield. Speak to us first.”

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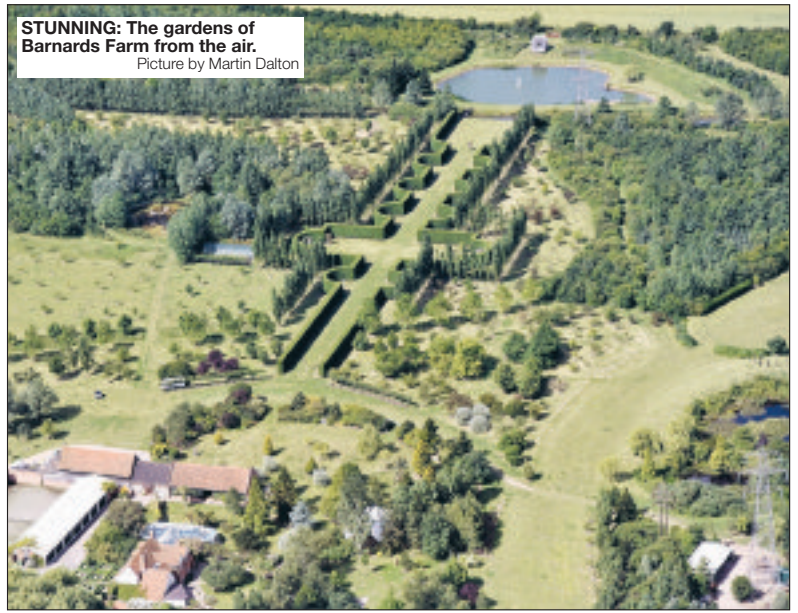
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OPEN: Owner Bernard Holmes with an example of the sculptures in the garden.
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STUNNING: The gardens of Barnards Farm from the air.
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Gardens open to the public

By Paul Giles

PEOPLE interested in sculpture or plants can visit Barnards Farm this weekend to view a stunning collection of the two.

As part of the NGS Family Open Garden Day, all money taken at the Tilbury Road site, in West Horndon, will go to a series of charities supported by the NGS.

While exploring the farm people will be able to track a route that will take them past more than 60 works of art.

People will be able to enjoy the 17-hectare site, which has 63 sculptures, woodland, amazing gardens and a lake.

Bernard Holmes, owner of Barnards Farm, had no history in garden design when he first bought the house 33 years ago.

He said: "Originally we were looking for a large house but didn't want a large garden. Thirty years ago that wasn't so easy - this one came with a quarter of an acre of land."

It was after Bernard bought some land off a neighbouring farmer that the dream of having an airstrip and the gardens started to evolve.

Bernard said: "We're constantly surprising people that come to the gardens."

"People come back year after year. Since last year we have developed a major back garden and a riverside walk."

On the day children will also be able to drive a Model T car while parents can relax in the tea-rooms.

Since opening the gardens 1997, Bernard and Sylvia, have raised £55,000 for charity.

Barnards Farm will be open to the public this Sunday, from 11 until 4.30pm.

Walking tall

A COUNCIL-run health scheme has been given a national accreditation.

The Walk Tall scheme organised by Castle Point Council and the Primary Care Trust was given the recognition by Natural England's 'Walking the way to Health' programme. Two new walks from Richmond Hall in High Road, South Benfleet, and the Labworth on Canvey seaford has been launched.

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RESIDENTS were shown the importance of Thundersley Common in a guided tour.

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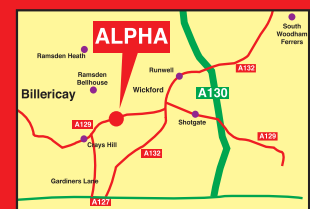


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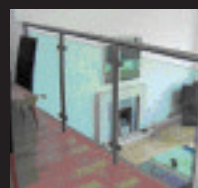
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JAILED: Brian Wall.



SHOT: Adam Mapleson.

Man jailed for shooting

By Matthew Stanton

A PAINTER has been jailed for at least 12 years after being found guilty of shooting a commuter in Rayleigh.

Brian Wall, of Elstow Road, Dagenham, was convicted at Chelmsford Crown Court of grievous bodily harm with intent on Adam Mapleson, from Rayleigh.

The 62-year-old, who denied all his charges, was cleared of attempted murder

at Rayleigh train station on May 25, 2007.

Wall was found guilty of conspiracy to rob between September 2006 and April 2008 and conspiracy to possess firearms with intent to commit robberies at Beckton, Witham, Rayleigh, Pitsea, Basildon, Chadwell St Mary and Vange.

Detective Superintendent Michael Field, British Transport Police senior investigating officer, said: "The sentence that has been handed down to Wall is a

clear reflection of the seriousness of the crimes he committed.

"He is a cynical, career criminal who was prepared to use firearms to ensure his demands were met.

"He will now spend a very long time in prison where he will be able to contemplate the consequences of his actions, in particular his shooting, of a brave young man in cold blood."

IT consultant Adam, 26, came to the aid of a security guard who was robbed at gunpoint.

The Rayleigh shooting happened just after 7am when the security guard, who was delivering £20,000 cash to a cash-point, had a gun thrust into her stomach.

The rock music fan suffered a shattered collarbone from the gun shot.

Terry Smith, of Point Road, Canvey, and Leonard Smith of Dagmar Road, in Dagenham, who deny charges of conspiracy to rob and conspiracy to possess firearms, will face a retrial after jurors failed to reach a verdict.



BACK ON: Organiser Pam Watson hopes for a good turn out. Picture by Mark Cleveland

Cycle ride gets the go-ahead

By Matthew Stanton

A CHARITY bike ride across Foulness can continue after the Ministry of Defence stopped the event four years ago.

Thorpe Bay Rotary Club managed to persuade MOD officials to allow the ride to restart on Sunday, September 13.

The fundraiser, which started nine years ago, was cancelled due to various restrictions put in place by the military organisation back in 2005.

Eddie Edwards, president of Thorpe Bay Rotary Club, said: "We were forced to postpone the ride because rules put in place made things difficult for us.

"I am delighted to say that the event has been resurrected.

"The reason we use Foulness is the fact the area is restricted all year round and this attracts people. The island has beautiful landscapes and a variety of wildlife, so I am privileged to be able to see this."

Mr Edwards claims more than 2,000 cyclists will take part in the challenge, which has helped raise £25,000 for Southend Hospital Charitable Foundation's Bosom Pals Appeal.

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It was the first time we had done scuba diving and it was really good. We went to the centre first and went through lots of information to keep us safe under the water. We learnt how to say we were OK and say how much air we had in our tanks. We did lots in the pool including taking our mouthpieces out, letting water into our masks and telling the instructor how much air we had left. We also got to crawl along the bottom of the pool which was great.

Joseph Chambers, 11

We had to go to the pool one evening when all the swimmers had left and we had the pool to ourselves. We stayed in the shallow end so we could touch the floor with our feet. I got to wear all the equipment - the air tank was massive and I could float on my back



Joshua Chambers, 8

because we put air in my jacket. I went under the water and could breathe through the mouthpiece. I really liked scuba diving and would like to do it again when I'm a bit bigger so I can do more.

fact file

- **DIRECTIONS:** Lakeside Diving Centre is situated by Alexandra Lake, next to Lakeside Shopping Centre. Blackshots Swimming Pool is just a two-mile drive away, in Grays.
- **TIMES:** The Discover Scuba Diving sessions run on Monday evenings. You will have to visit the diving centre at an earlier date to fill out forms then go to the centre on the evening before heading to the pool. We arrived at the centre at around 6.45pm and left the pool at roughly 10pm.
- **PRICES:** It costs £25 per person (adult or child) to do a Discover Scuba Diving session. If you want to give it a go, mention this article for a 10 per cent discount up until the end of 2009. The minimum age for children is eight.
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Below the surface

LIZ WADE and her two boys make a splash on their visit to Discover Scuba Diving in Thurrock

IF YOU fancy doing something with the kids that's a little bit different, why not try diving. I'm not suggesting you pay out for a holiday in the sun or jump into a cold lake. In actual fact, I'm talking about taking the family to a diving taster session at a local swimming pool.

Lakeside Diving and Watersports Centre in West Thurrock runs such sessions, as well as other courses, at Blackshots Swimming Pool in Grays. They asked us to join them on one of their Discover Scuba Diving tasters and we snapped up the invitation.

It was the first time that all three of us had tried it and while the boys were excited, I must admit I was a little bit nervous.

I really shouldn't have been though because we had a great experience and an amazing time, thanks to the instructors who reassured us all every step of the way and adapted the experience to suit.

Our taster session began at the Lakeside Diving Centre, next to Lakeside Shopping Centre, where we went through a flip chart covering everything we needed to know, from safety to hand signals.

It was a lot of information to take in, but the boys seem to be following it all as they managed to identify a lot of the hand signals and do them when asked.

After being shown the equipment we were using, and finding fins to fit our feet, we headed to Blackshots Swimming Pool.

At the side of the pool, we were given a run down on what we would be doing and then we

had our scuba gear fitted.

Although Josh has been swimming for two years and is quite confident in the water, I did wonder how he would cope with the session.

Although he was slightly swamped by the equipment, he was on a 'one to one' with an instructor at all times so took the whole thing in his stride.

He didn't do all that Joseph and I did, but he did get a full taster of wearing the equipment, breathing through the mouthpiece and going under the water which he thought was great.

Joseph and I were with the other instructor and after getting our equipment on, getting used to breathing from the air tank and putting our faces in the water, we had to put our fins on.

Having fins for feet felt a little strange but we were asked to kneel on the bottom of the shallow end of the pool. I felt a bit unstable and only lasted a few seconds before doing the hand signal to say I wasn't happy.

After going straight back to the surface again I explained I would feel much better with my feet on the bottom of the pool so the fins came off and we tried again, with much more success.

Under the water we had to carry out a few tasks including checking our air supply and signalling to our instructor how much air we had left.

We both managed to do this and got the figures and the hand signals right.

We were then told to watch the instructor as he removed his air supply and blew bubbles out of his mouth. He then put it



A-OK: The boys show off their hand signals.

back in his mouth and pushed a button to remove the water so he could breathe again.

Taking our air supply away whilst underwater was a bit challenging but we both managed to copy him and successfully carried out the task.

It was the next challenge that was difficult - allowing your mask to half fill with water and then clearing it again.

While in theory it sounded quite easy, it was this that worried me the most.

I was quite relieved when Joseph was asked to do it first and while he managed to let water in to his mask he had trouble getting it out, so gave

up. I declined to give it a go.

We then got an opportunity to crawl across the bottom of pool and back again, with one instructor in front of us and another behind, before going back up to the surface.

Both boys, while tired out from the later than normal evening, had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They were also very proud of themselves for what they had achieved that night.

I thought the experience was amazing and would definitely recommend it to anyone else.

It was also a great activity to do as a family and one that the boys won't forget.

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Saturday, June 27

- Indoor Boot Sale, Pintaols, off Crest Avenue, Pitsea, 10am-2pm, refreshments available. 01268 555952.
- Fun Day, Runwell Village Pre-school, held in Runwell Park, noon-3pm, various stalls and attractions include bouncy castle, displays, crafts, games, refreshments.
- Summer Bazaar, Buttsbury Junior School, Norse View Road, Billericay, 2pm, various stalls include Teddy tombola, adult tombola, wacky hair, chocolate fountain, barbecue.
- Table Sale, Residents of 'The Terrace', Leigh, outside cottages situated just below St Clements Church, Broadway, down first lot of steps in Church Hill, from 9am, many items including home-made cakes. 01702 480623.
- St Clement's Church Open, to coincide with Leigh Folk Festival, from 10am serving home-made refreshments all day, and hosting an 'Open Mike' session in the afternoon, all welcome. Also live music with Trevor Watts, alto and soprano saxes and percussion and Peter Knight (of Steeleye Span), acoustic and electric violins, doors open 6.30pm, starts 7pm.
- Summer Fete, St Margaret's Church, Downham, 2-5pm, admission 50p, children free, also flower festival in the church.
- Summer Flower Show, Hadleigh Gardening Association, Methodist Church Hall, Chapel Lane, Hadleigh, (opposite War Memorial), open to the public 2.30-4.45pm, admission £1, plant stall, raffle, auction of some donated exhibits.
- Walk, SE Essex Ramblers' meet 10am, Garons Leisure Centre, 4 miles around Shopland, optional drink together at end.
- Farmers Market, Barleylands Farm, Barleylands Road, Billericay, 8.30am-12.30pm. 01268 290215.
- Charity Concert, Leigh Road Baptist Church, Marguerite Drive, Leigh, highly-acclaimed barbershop quartet TAGS, 7.30pm, family friendly evening, in aid of Southend Leukaemia Unit. Group Supporters and church funds, tickets are a

- donation of £6 from 01702 711189/472216 or Oasis Coffee House.
- A Celebration in Song and Dance, Ramsden Bellhouse Village Hall, The Choir for all Seasons 'Invitation to the Dance', special guests Mayflower Morris Men, 7.30pm, in aid of St Mary's Church, tickets £6, from the church or call Len Ferris 01268 710165.
- Concert, The Salvation Army's Hadleigh Temple, London Road, 'Sheffield Citadel Songsters', 7pm, tickets £5 from the Temple reception or by phone on 01702 558913.
- Live Rock Music, Kings Head, Rochford Square, 'Strange Brew', 9pm-late, free entry.
- Drama, Mirren Studio, Towngate Theatre, Basildon, The Thalian Theatre Group present, Charles Dickens' 'Hard Times', showing 25-27 June, 7.30pm, tickets £7.50 call 01268 288114.
- Rayleigh History Walk, starts Rayleigh Windmill, Bellingham Lane (off High Street), 3pm, £2 per person (National Trust members £1), Mike Stone 01268 775328.
- Dads and Kids Club, The Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, 10.30am-1.30pm, free admission, games, activities, arts and crafts, for boys and girls 5-17 years with their fathers and father figures. 01268 779100.
- Different Strokes Exercise Class, St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, for those who have had a stroke, every Saturday 2.30pm. 01702 465801.
- Meeting, Brush Strokes Art Group, Highlands Methodist Church, Leigh, Saturday mornings, for membership details call Georgina 01702 301187.
- Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-op, St Michael's Church Hall (rear car park entrance), Leigh Road/Mount Avenue, Leigh, every Saturday 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).
- Art and Crafts for Kids, every Saturday in Southend, 10am-noon, from ages 7 and above, call Marie 01702 329408.
- Saturday Morning Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Westcliff UR Church Hall, top of Kings Road, every Saturday 10am-noon, entertainment provided by choirs, soloists and musicians, refreshments, 'Bring and Win' raffle, admission free, drivers required please call 01702 478691.

Sunday, June 28

- Flower Festival, St Margaret's Church, Downham, 2-5pm.

what's on

- Open Gardens, Hockley and Hawkwell Methodist Church invite you to visit 5 beautiful Hockley gardens, 2-6pm, programmes covering all 5 locations £3 adults, children free, available from 21 Woodlands Road, Hockley or call 07895 094852, refreshments available at each garden, barbecue at one.
- Hobbies and Leisure Festival, The Old School, Community Centre, High Street, Great Wakering, noon-4pm, entrance 50p adults, children free, refreshments plus Ploughman's lunches on sale, a hands-on talking event.
- Organ Recital, Fishermen's Chapel, New Road Methodist Church, Old Leigh, on original pipe organ, as part of Leigh Folk Festival, 2-3pm, followed by refreshments, free admission. 01702 473913.
- Craft Market, Hullbridge Community Centre, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, free admission and car park, 10am-3pm. 01702 233441.
- Healing Service, St Michael's Church, Leigh Road, Westcliff, laying on of hands with prayers, 6.30pm, all welcome, enquiries 01702 478462.
- Walk, Greenway Group, meet 9am, Galleywood Common car park, for car share to Rickling Green, 11 miles via Arkedden and Clavering. 01268 771937.
- Walk, SE Essex Ramblers', 10am, meet Rayleigh Weir, Sainsbury's opposite Halfords, starts at Papermill Lock, 8 miles along waterways, woods and fields, pub stop halfway, café at end.
- Miniature Steam Train Rides, Sutton Hall Railway Society, Tabors Farm, Sutton Hall, Shopland Road, off Sutton Road, near Rochford, noon-6pm, adults £2, children £1.50, further details 01702 334337.
- Canvey Miniature Railway Train Rides, Waterside Sports Centre, Sommes Avenue, Canvey, 10.30am-4pm, adults and children £1 each a ride, every Sunday until October.
- The Leigh Folk Festival, free in Old Leigh starting with Preview at 11am-1.15pm the 'Foundry stage' next to Lynne Tate with Simon D, Clive Cowan, Candelabra, David Simon and Simon Routh, The West Brothers, Adunda.
- Southend Pier Museum, attractions include the restored pier trains, its entertainment, holidays, disasters, pleasure boats, gift shop, opening times 11am-5pm, adults £1, accompanied children under 12 free (as part of a family group), every Sun, Mon, Tues, Weds and Bank Holidays until end of September. 01702 611214/614553.
- Men's Futsal Football Sessions, Markhams Chase, Basildon, every Sunday

- 8-10pm, £4, get back into sport, further details Paul 07882 456558.
 - Trading Hut Open, Hockley and District Horticultural Society, behind Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell, for all your gardening sundries, open every Sunday 10am-noon until the end of October.
- ### Monday, June 29
- Lawn Bowls, Wickford Bowling Club, Memorial Park, Wickford, every Monday 5.30pm until dusk, also Short Mat Bowls, Mondays 1.30-4.30pm, fees reduced with this advert, beginners welcome, further details Sue Crockett 01268 765321.
 - Outdoor Bowls, Memorial Park Bowls Club, Memorial Park, Wickford, Mondays 2-5pm, Wednesdays 5.30-8.30pm. 01277 636200.
 - Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Ron Spack's Jazztet featuring Tim Huskisson, clarinet/Dave Kay guitar, 8.30pm. 01702 512819.
 - Leigh on Sea Caledonian Dancers, St James Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, Mondays 7.30-10.15pm, new members welcome, first night free. 01702 354414.
 - Meeting, Pintaols Social Club, off Rectory Road, Crest Avenue, Pitsea, bingo every Monday 1-4pm, we also arrange holidays and outings during the year, further details 01268 555952.
 - Club 60, Floor 3, Queensway House, Essex Street, Southend, various activities every weekday, tea bar, non-members welcome, £1.50 day pass, details 01702 613562.
 - Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, (opposite Thames Drive), Olive Avenue, Leigh, every Monday 1pm and every Tuesday 7pm, beginners welcome, further details Ken 01702 333031.
 - Come and try Lawn Bowls, VCA Riverview Bowls Club, Mopsals Park, Basildon, beginners very welcome, all equipment supplied, any Monday 5.30-7.30pm, or Tuesday 10am-noon, enquiries Dave Tandy 01268 762754.
 - Whist, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over 50s, every Monday 10am-noon, details 01268 465854.
 - Senior Citizens Club, Ghyllgrove Centre, Butneys, every Monday 1.30-3.30pm, make friends, bingo, trips. 01268 293995.
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■ Fitness Walking, from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh, every Monday and Thursday 7.15-8.15pm, further details 01702 715509.

Tuesday, June 30

■ Informal Get-together, Celebrating 40 years, Heycroft Primary School, Benvenue Avenue, Eastwood, invites all ex pupils and ex staff to look round the old school and meet up with others, from 7-9pm, admission by advance booking only, contact the school office or check our guest-list at heycroftschool.org.uk
■ Meeting, Southend Area Carers' Group, 1 Queens Road, Southend, offering support to the families and friends of people with mental health problems (supported by Rethink), 8pm, free to all, further details 01702 430432.
■ Walk, Ramblers' Friends Group, meet 10.30am The White Hart, Stebbing, 3.5miles, pub lunch.
■ Walk, Greenway Group, meet 10am, Mill Green car park, (50 yards past The Cricketers), 5 miles, 012377 657642.
■ Art Class, Leigh Sailing Club, Old Leigh Town, watercolour/drawing - learn with pop Lady artist, 01702 307173.
■ Hockley Scrabble Club for the more experienced player, Parish Hall, Southend Road, Hockley, (Old Fire Station), 6.45-10.30pm, first two visits free, further details 01702 200506/205833.
■ Mainstream Jazz, Spike's Place Jazz Club, Hadleigh Hall, Rectory Road, Hadleigh, 'Craig Schneider Trio', 8.30pm, 01245 420475.
■ Our Time 2, a newly formed friendly social group, for couples and singles, age group 55-65, Halfway House Pub, Eastern Esplanade, Southend sea front, most Tuesdays 8pm onwards, details Ann 07752 613021.
■ Table Tennis, Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Tuesdays 7.30-10.30pm, all welcome, £3.50 a session. 01268 779100.
■ Whist Drive, Westcliff United Reformed Church, corner of Kings Road and Mount Avenue, Westcliff, every Tuesday 1.45-4pm, admission £1 includes tea and biscuit, in aid of church funds.
■ Pup Cats Social Club, (Southend Menap), Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, Tuesday evenings 7-

9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, for membership details call 01702 341250.
■ Depression: Self Help Group, every Tuesday 8-9.30pm, and Thursdays 12.30-2pm, we are a very successful and caring group, Michael 01268 527283.
■ Vange Tots, The Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, every Tuesday 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, snack and drinks provided for all, further details 01268 498642.
■ Shoebury Flagship, Rainbow Children's Centre, Friars School, Constable Way, Shoebury, every Tuesday 1.30-3.30pm, health visiting team offering activities, advice and support for parents with babies and children aged up to 5 years, further details 01702 577656.
■ Tuesday Luncheon Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, 01702 478691/525141/340617.

Wednesday, July 1

■ Meeting, Leigh Travel Club, The Iveagh Club (upstairs room), 69 Leigh Road, Leigh, 'a talk on Yorkshire', all welcome, 7.30pm, admission £2 including refreshments, further details Lynda 01702 474475.
■ Basildon Eating Disorders and Mental Health Support Group, (BEAMS) meet first Wednesday of each month, 6-8pm, helpline available all other Wednesdays 5-8pm 01268 442059/07944 189640.
■ Circle Dance, Wesley Methodist Church, Room 3, Elm Road, Leigh, 1.30-3pm, friendly group, no partners needed, further details Pat 020 8556 3508.
■ Barn Dance, Grand Ceilidh Club, Southend Rugby Football Club, Sumpters Way, Southend, 8.30pm, live music from Metric Foot, free entry on first visit. 07818 622822.
■ The World in Miniature, Cater Museum, 74 High Street, Billericay, a display by Billericay Miniatures Club, with models from the Museum's own collection, showing to July 19, 2-5pm Monday to Saturday. 01277 622023.
■ Over 50s Session, Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Wednesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm, badminton and short mat bowls, session price £3.30 includes refreshments and use of equipment. 01268 779100.
■ Played Bowls Before? Come and try it at FS&S Club, Gardiners Close, Basildon, all weather green, free coaching given, regular

club mornings, call Charlie 01277 623752.
■ Rayleigh Country Market, WI Hall, Bellingham Lane, every Wednesday 8.30-11.30am.
■ Bridge, Leigh Highlands Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church Hall, Olive Avenue, Leigh, Wednesdays 7.30pm, EBU points, further details Hilary 01702 712501 or Kay 01702 473292.

Thursday, July 2

■ Meeting, Parkinson's Society, The Crowstone Christian Centre, Crowstone Road, Westcliff, 2-4pm, £2 including refreshments, anyone with Parkinson's, carers, friends and families welcome. 01268 774327.
■ Art Workshop, Artist's Studio, South Avenue, Southend, 10am-3pm, stay all day or a minimum of 2 hours, £5 per hour, beginners welcome. 01702 329408/07958 486634.
■ Social Afternoon, Civil Service Retirement Fellowship, Cloister West, Parish Rooms, Rayleigh Church, Rectory Garth (off Hockley Road), Rayleigh, 2-4pm. 01702 342426.
■ Evening of Spiritual Readings, Spiritual Connections, The Freight House/Rochford Station, Pullman Suite, West Street, Rochford, doors open 7.15-10pm, established mediums £8 for 15 minutes (readings 7.40-9.40pm), call Debby Morrow 01268 781062 to secure reading or turn up on the night, donations accepted for healing, refreshments and stalls selling spiritual items, all profits donated to charity.
■ Meeting, Thorpe Bay Ladies Thursday Club, Thorpe Bay Methodist Church, The Broadway, 'Jocelyn Beach - The complete talk' by Clare Harvey, 7.30pm, ladies of all ages welcome, first occasion free.
■ Sales Table, Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, every Thursday 7.30am-3.30pm, toys, books, bric-a-brac, etc, further details 01702 586697.
■ Short Mat Bowls, Willows Park, James Hornsby School, Leinster Road, Laindon, every Thursday 7.30pm, first 3 weeks free, details 01277 625027.
■ Social Tennis, Crowstone and St Saviour's LTC, Victory Path, Chalkwell, every Thursday 2pm, for improvers, £3 visitors fee. 01702 711823.
■ Drama/Social Club, working for Animal Charities, St George's Hall (near Tarports), Rushbottom Lane, Benfleet, new members needed, no acting experience required, good social activities, meet every Thursday 1.30-3.30pm. 01268 697357.
■ Art on Sea Painting Group, St Peter's,

Eastbourne Grove, Westcliff, every Thursday 1.15-3.15pm. 01702 329408.
■ Art for All, Westcliff United Reform Church, Kings Road, Westcliff, 10am-noon. 01702 615475.
■ Learn to Draw Portraits, from photos and life, United Reform Church, Leigh, every Thursday 10am-noon, and drawing for beginners 12.30-2.30pm, further details 01702 714306.

Friday, July 3

■ Walk, Greenway Group, meet 10am, Magnolia Nature Reserve car park, Rectory Road, Hawkwell, 'First Friday' 5 miles via the original Clements Hall. 05601 526649.
■ Watercolour Classes, Leigh Sailing Club, Old Leigh Town, 10.15am-12.15pm and 1.30-3.30pm, local scenes, beginners welcome. 01702 307173.
■ Live Music, Riga Music Bar, Southend, 'John Otway plus Murray Torkildsen'.
■ Friday Lunches, Pastoral Centre at St Clement's Church, Broadway, Leigh, every Friday 12.30-1.30pm, all welcome.
■ Bargain Box Open, Pastoral Centre, St Martin's Church, Basildon (Church walk near Marks and Spencer), every Friday 10am-noon, good quality/nearly new clothes, bric-a-brac, books, videos etc, tea/coffee, no entrance charge.
■ Come and try Diving, Gloucester Park Swimming Pool, every Friday 8-10pm, learn to scuba dive, details Paul 07802 643734.
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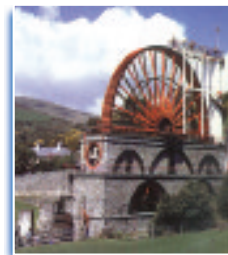
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Directed by Maestro Ray McVay, the band will be appearing in Southend on Friday, July 3.

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Special guest stars Irresistible will also be appearing on stage with their tribute to The Andrews Sisters.

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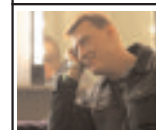


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Its extensive menu offers a wide range of appe-

tisers, Thai salads, soups, curry dishes, stir fried dishes, rice and noodles. It also has a large vegetarian section including a choice of appetisers and salads, soups and main courses.

Its chef specials include Gai Yang roasted chicken, Weeping Tiger grilled sirloin steak, Nutty Chicken and Lamb Shank Masaman Curry.

Its deals include a lunchtime special from Monday to Thursday when diners can enjoy two courses for just £7.95 for adults, which also includes a glass of house wine, half a pint of beer or a soft drink.

During the evening there is a four course special available from Sunday to Thursday, for just £13.95, which includes a starter, main course, rice or noodles, and a coffee, as well as a glass of house

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The restaurant, at 7 High Street, Billericay, is open every day for lunch from noon to 2.30pm, as well as in the evenings from 6pm to 11.30pm from Sunday to Thursday, and from 6pm to midnight on Friday and Saturday.

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The fantastically extensive A La Carte Menu is available from Monday to Saturday evening and as well as its huge range of main courses it offers a choice of many delicious starters to suit all tastes. In addition there is also a Chef's Specials board to choose from.

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Also available from Monday to Friday evening at the fantastic price of £13.95 is the Three Course Set Menu and on Saturday evenings, for those who prefer an alternative to the A La Carte Menu, there is the Special Saturday Three Course Menu available at £19.95.

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As well as being the perfect location for a meal with family or friends, the restaurant is also ideal for parties of up to around 30 people.

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The 2009 National Karting Championship is getting underway and wannabe racers have two months to show off their driving skills.

Regional heats, quarter finals and semi finals will see participants whittled down to the UK's top 50 before the smell of burning rubber signals the start of the November finale.

Winners will take home a racing enthusiast's dream: a brand new 2-stroke EasyKart, MSA race license, race suit, gloves, boots and free entry into the 2010 EasyKart UK Championships.

Brentwood Karting Raceway, in Brentwood, and Lakeside Karting Raceway, in Thurrock, will both play host to the qualifying stages of the Championship during the summer months.

Competitors must post their fastest lap times before the chequered flag brings qualifying to a close on Monday, August 24, and

the serious competition begins.

Event co-ordinator Will Tew said: "For most people motor racing is a spectator sport, but you can't help dreaming of being in Jensen Button or Lewis Hamilton's shoes for a day.

"With the National Karting Championship we aim to recreate the excitement of top-level motorsport and hopefully progress some drivers into the professional ranks of participation."

The competition is open for everyone at all levels, with three age classifications splitting up the competitors to ensure a fair shot at victory for all. Future, upcoming and previously overlooked Jensen Buttons are invited to enter at Cadet (8-11yrs), Junior (12-15yrs) and Senior (16yrs+) level.

The event is organised by the National Karting Association (NKA) and will also be supporting BBC Children in Need.

For more information and to enter the competition, prospective racers should visit www.nkachampionship.co.uk where they can register to qualify at their local circuit.



CHALLENGE:
Event co-ordinator
Will Tew prepares.

Football

Chelsea legends to take on Canvey side

A TEAM of Chelsea legends will be playing at Canvey Island next month.

A Canvey Island FC legends team will take on a side of ex-players from one of England's biggest clubs on Sunday, July 26 at 2pm.

Ray Wilkins, Kerry Dixon, Clive Walker and Scott Minto plus many more will be starring for Chelsea, while Southend United manager Steve Tilson and former England, Leicester City, Hull City and current Wycombe Wanderers boss Peter Taylor will turn out for the Gulls.

A number of Canvey's players from their 2000/01 FA Trophy winning side will also don the yellow and blue.

The Ryman League Premier club will also be auctioning three places in their legends side.

During the day there will be other events taking place including a sporting memorabilia auction, charity raffle and face painting.

All money raised will be donated to St Lukes Hospice, the club's official charity.

Also before the match, Chelsea's qualified coaches will be putting 30 boys and girls through their paces during mini coaching sessions.

Tickets for the match cost £9.50, concessions £5 and £3 for children under 12.

To auction for a place on the Canvey Island legends side, call Chris Sutton on 07740 921532 to place your bid.

Hammers sport a different look for Wolves meeting

Speedway

LAKESIDE Hammers will sport a new look for their match against Wolverhampton Wolves on Wednesday.

The Hammers team will take to the track sporting a one off Royal Navy race jacket design, while one whole bend of the Arena-Essex Raceway will be adorned with the Royal Navy branding.

Hammers co-promoter Jon Cook

expressed his delight at the new partnership.

He said: "For this Club to be associated with an organisation as prestigious as the Royal Navy is a feather in the cap for us, and for Speedway as a whole.

"We are very proud of our Armed Forces here at the Hammers, and we feel privileged to have been chosen for this new initiative."

Commander Steve Pearson, the officer behind the deal, said:

"Speedway provides a new way for us to communicate this message to the people we want to talk to, and I'm looking forward to the meeting very much."

The Hammers will track their usual line-up with Phil Morris continuing to take the role of the doubling-up rider, while Robert Mear recovers from injury.

Joonas Kylmakorpi, following his dash across Europe after last Friday's emphatic win over Peter-

borough, will move to No.5 in the riding order whilst his fellow Finn, Kauko Nieminen, will ride in the No.2 position.

The Wolves, who are currently second in the League table, will be led by Swedish duo of Peter Karlsson and Fredrik Lindgren.

The action gets underway at the Hammers Arena-Essex Raceway on Wednesday at the earlier time of 7.30pm, in what will be a vital match for both sides.

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Bodhisha guides Brentwood to victory

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PREMIER DIVISION

ANOTHER win for Brentwood saw them increase their lead at the top after Wanstead lost ground.

Brentwood entertained Upminster on Saturday and won by seven wickets. Upminster were put into bat and scored 248-9, with Harry Jenkins scoring 78. But a superb knock by Kasun Bodhisha (123 no), supported by Jonathan Walford (75) eased Brentwood to victory, while Upminster find themselves in the bottom two.

Wanstead went down at home to Chelmsford, who in turn moved up to third. The hosts put up 258-8, but it proved insufficient as Chelmsford won by six wickets.

The remaining matches in the league were all drawn.

Colchester & East Essex dropped to fourth but were so close to victory at home to Ardleigh Green. They put up 274-7 in their innings, and managed to take nine wickets but failed to take the last as Ardleigh finished up on 182-9.

Hainault & Clayhall were held at home by Woodford Wells. Highlights were Samir Ahmed Qadir hitting 135 for Hainault and Robert Marshall unbeaten on 126 for Wells.

Bottom side Gidea Park & Romford just about hung on to a home draw against South Woodford.

The visitors were put into bat and scored an impressive 300-7, Asher Gilani (94), Pratik Acharya (56 off 25 balls) and Nick Browne (55) the main scorers. But, despite losing eight wickets, Gidea Park & Romford did just enough to draw, James Evans the pick with 65 while Garry Neicho took four wickets for South Woodford.

DIVISION ONE

HORNCHURCH remain top following their 92-run home win over lowly Wickford.

Scoring 279-6 in their innings with Beazleigh hitting a century, Hornchurch bowled Wickford out for 187, Mark Whitlock the pick of the bowlers taking 7-58.

Ilford move above Fives & Heronians into second after their one-wicket win at home over Chingford.

Batting first, Chingford put up 269-6, Sam Kirnon top scorer with 63, but Ilford just took the spoils thanks to Modasser Ibrahim who was unbeaten on 103.

Fives drop to fourth after hanging on to draw with Orsett, while Loughton move up to third following their five-wicket home win over Westcliff on Sea. The visitors were put into bat first and recorded 243-6, with Tim Wade's impressive 121

not out the stand out.

But Seb Gallagher (84) and Usman Jan (62) helped Loughton to victory.

Hutton moved out of the bottom two, but leave Basildon & Pitsea at the bottom following their 50-run win. It was the bowlers who dominated as Asif Abbas took 6-17 for Basildon as Hutton were bowled out for 111. But Andy McGarry (6-36) and Danny Cocklin (4-14) decimated Basildon's batting attack as they were skittled out for 61.

DIVISION TWO

SHENFIELD continued their winning ways at the top, winning by eight wickets at Walthamstow.

Brad Scully took 5-47 as Walthamstow were all out for 151 to help Shenfield to the win.

Hadleigh & Thundersley move back up to second after winning by eight wickets at home to Bilericay thanks to Dan Jackson's knock of 97 not out.

Harlow dropped to third after losing by 130 runs at Buckhurst Hill.

Jan Russell (86), Josh Peters (75) and Rohan Bhome (70) helped Buckhurst Hill to 263-2 after being put into bat, while Jeremy Mordrick did the damage with the ball, taking 5-33 as Harlow ended on 133 all out.

Old Southendian & Southchurch moved up above Horndon on the Hill after their 117-run win,

Chris Bunce top scorer on 99. Bottom club Harold Wood came out on top in the battle of the bottom two at Leigh on Sea by three wickets.

DIVISION THREE

LEADERS Benfleet were held at home by Old Brentwoods.

Put into bat first, Benfleet scored 282-6, with Phil Wright the pick with 89 not out. But, despite Tony Bassett taking 5-73, Old Brentwoods frustrated the leaders to end up on 206-9 thanks to Ahmed Khawaja (121).

Stanford Le Hope close the gap in second after their eight wicket victory over Epping. A third wicket partnership between Lee Knight (64) and Harry Maher (72) earned them the points.

West Essex keep up the pressure in third after winning by 110-runs at Ongar, Irfan Riaz hitting 143 in their innings.

Belhus beat second from bottom Southend on Sea by two wickets to stay fourth.

Southend won the toss and went into bat and put up a respectable 275-2 with great knocks by Phillip McIntosh (113 no) and Steven Johnson (79).

But consistent scoring by the Belhus batsmen saw them take victory.

Woodford Green remain bottom after their six-wicket defeat at Old Parkonians, with Hermes Solomonides (79 no) helping his side to victory.